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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

1. This Memorandum of Understanding shall govern the protection of classified information of the Department of Defense relating to the investigation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations (Committee) into the allegations of David F. Christensen of involvement ^{by certain} ~~by the~~ *AB* ~~Government of Cuba~~ ^{individuals} in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. For such purpose, the Department of Defense will make Sergeant Nicholas B. Stevenson, USAF, available for an interview by a designated member of the Committee Staff at a time of mutual convenience but not later than November 22, 1978.

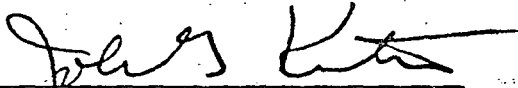
2. The interview will be conducted in secure spaces which are authorized for the discussion of classified signals intelligence information.

3. The interview will be limited in scope to the substantive content of the allegations of Mr. Christensen. Information which deals with intelligence sources and methods will not be used in responding to questions, except as such information may directly relate to the substance of the allegations.


4. The Committee agrees, for itself and on behalf of the person designated by the Committee to conduct the interview, not to disclose any classified information which is revealed in the course of the interview without the prior written concurrence of the Department of Defense. A representative of the Department of Defense will attend the interview and advise the Committee representative as to information that is classified.

5. The Committee's designee who conducts the interview may make a record of the interview and written notes of the responses of SGT Stevenson to the Committee's questions. The Committee agrees that any such notes may be inspected by the representative of the Department of Defense prior to removal from the interview room, and any classified information which is contained in the notes shall be deleted prior to their removal. If any classified information is contained in the notes, the original version shall be maintained in the Office of The Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, and the Committee may have access to those notes as needed. Any record or transcript of the interview will be left in the possession of the Department of Defense for a review to determine its classification. If the transcript or record contains classified information, it will remain in the possession of the Department of Defense, and the Committee may have access to it as needed.

6. Nothing in the Committee's undertaking affects the Committee's right to invoke in the future any subpoena power available to it to secure and disclose the information related to Mr. Christensen's allegations, provided, however, that the Committee will not disclose the information until any related litigation has been concluded by judicial action that permits disclosure.



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