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## Memorandum



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To : Mr. Shapiro *HMS* Date 4/4/95From : *W.E.B.* William E. Baugh, Jr.Subject : INFORMANT/CONFIDENTIALITY MATTERS  
IN JFK RECORDS

PURPOSE: To memorialize matters discussed and agreed to by participants in a 2/23/95, meeting relating to the FBI's position with respect to informant/confidentiality matters arising from the operation of the "President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992" (The Act) and to summarize matters arising in March, 1995, that relate to issues discussed at that February meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

**APPROVED:**

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DETAILS: On 2/23/95, Howard Shapiro, General Counsel, Office of General Counsel (OGC); Robert M. Bryant, Assistant Director, National Security Division (NSD); William J. Esposito, Assistant Director, Criminal Investigative Division (CID); William E. Baugh, Jr., Assistant Director, Information Resources Division, and Margaret R. Owens, Unit Chief, Office of Public and Congressional Affairs (OPCA) met to discuss the position to be taken by the FBI in regard to informant/confidentiality issues arising from the operation of the Act. Terry T. O'Connor, P. Grant Harmon, and Carol L. Keeley, all of the JFK Task Force, also participated in the meeting.

Enclosure

- 2 - Mr. Shapiro, Room 7427  
 (1 - Mr. Blake)  
 2 - Mr. Bryant, Room 4880  
 (1 - Mr. Saville, Room 4127)  
 2 - Mr. Esposito, Room 7016  
 (1 - Ms. Tucker, Room 4944)

- 1 - Mr. Collingwood, Room 7240  
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March 3, 1995

Mr. David G. Marwell  
Executive Director  
Assassination Records Review Board  
Second Floor  
600 E Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Marwell:

The FBI has reviewed the Assassination Records Review Board's proposed regulation published in the Federal Register on February 8, 1995, and styled "Guidance on Interpreting and Implementing the President John F. Kennedy Records Collection Act of 1992" (the Act). That review indicated the need for comments on the regulation to include suggestions for amending the language of two of its provisions and a request for clarification of the meaning of the language in a third. The FBI appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments to be considered by the Board before it finalizes the language of this interpretive regulation.

Before making its comments, the FBI wishes to express its very strong and continuing desire to assist the Board in its effort to identify all records that relate to the history of the assassination, to include those that may not have been reviewed by past presidential commissions and congressional committees established to investigate the assassination of President Kennedy. It is indeed through such disclosure of documents that any questions the public may have regarding President Kennedy's assassination and the investigation into it can be answered.

Subsection (a) of Section 1400.2 of the proposed regulation provides that additional records and information which the Board believes are required for it to fulfill its functions

2 - Mr. Shapiro (1 - Mr. Blake)	1 - Mr. Collingwood
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