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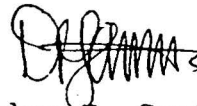
SUBJECT: CIA's Response on JFK Board Actions

This action is the first we have received related to decisions of the JFK Assassination Records Review Board.

I am assigning action on this subject to the Center for the Study of Intelligence. The Center will work with components to determine if the CIA should ask the President to object to a JFK board decision. Components and the Center may recommend what action, if any, the Agency should take to appeal a JFK Board decision. The Center is responsible for preparing the package that will be forwarded to the Director (via the Executive Director and Deputy Director) for decision. All component recommendations will be included in such packages so the Director can assess all relevant positions, factors, and arguments.

The suspense dates on these actions are extremely tight, seven days for the Director to appeal a Board decision to the President and 30 days (including the seven) for the President to rule on an appeal. See the attached Lotus Note from Bob Eatinger in OGC for more explanation of how appeals are to be handled with the White House.

We may have to alter our procedures as we learn how best to cope with this new requirement. Stay tuned.



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Executive Secretary

