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1. HOUSE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS (HSCA) HAS REQUESTED PRESENCE OF MR. JOHN WHITTEN, RETIRED CIA OFFICER NOW RESIDING IN VIENNA, TO PROVIDE SWORN TESTIMONY ON HIS KNOWLEDGE OF KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. REQUEST STATION CONTACT MR. WHITTEN TO DETERMINE IF HE WOULD BE WILLING TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON FOR THIS PURPOSE DURING WEEK 15 - 19 MAY 1978.

2. MR. WHITTEN WOULD BE PERMITTED TO APPEAR BEFORE COMMITTEE UNDER ALIAS FOR SECURITY REASONS.

3. HSCA PREPARED REIMBURSE COACH AIR FARE, \$50 PER DAY. PER DIEM AND COST LOCAL TRANSPORTATION. HSCA CONSIDERS ONE OR TWO DAYS WOULD BE ADEQUATE FOR HIS TESTIMONY.

4. IF MR. WHITTEN WILLING RETURN, PLEASE ADVANCE COST OF TICKET AND TA TO HEADQUARTERS. ADVISE TRAVEL DETAILS.

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