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24 August 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR:

J. Barry Harrelson

FROM:

James R. Oliver @ DA

OFFICE:

OIM

SUBJECT:

Re: The IRO's ARRB Declarations

REFERENCE:

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TO: Fredrick C. Wickham @ DO

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DATE:

08/24/98 09:03:09 AM

SUBJECT: Re: The IRO's ARRB Declarations

Fred, This is a followup to my LN of Friday. Please refer to D/OIM's memo to the DDs of 12 August (OIM 98-0088).

I have talked to Barry and we agree that the most important steps needed for the DO certification are as follows:

- 1. Your own title and duties, and your experience.
- 2. A detailed description of the searches which have been undertaken in all parts of the DO since 1993 on behalf of the Board.. (if you have any insight as to how the searches at the time of the Warren Commission and the Church Commission were done --which led to Assassination related documents--this would also be helpful)
- 3. A description of DO Briefings provided to ARRB staffers.

If we can get the above information, Eileen W. and Gary B. can put together a package which includes the individual responses provided to the Board.

It is critical that we get on this soonest. We need a final product by WEDNESDAY and, as you can see, this is a big job.

Thanks for your help. Jim O. Original Text of Fredrick C. Wickham

CC:

Donald R. Cryer@DO, Eileen M. Wukitch@DO

Sent on 24 August 1998 at 09:03:09 AM

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08/21/98 05:38:38 PM

SUBJECT: Re: The IRO's ARRB Declarations

Fred, Yes, these are two distinct actions. The option for the Board was that they would receive detailed declarations from each of the DDs to the Board or there would have to be internal declarations that would support the declaration before the EXDIR or GC could sign for the agency. The decision was to go with internal declarations and the Agency declaration will specifically say that certifications have been made by each of the directorates. And that means that the DO will have to do one which looks something like the sample we gave you. We need to get together soonest to determine how it can be done in time (early part of next week). Jim O.

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I guess I'm a little confused in that the example looks more like the directorate certification that needs to be done prior to the Agency. I thought you were focused only on the EB being sent electronically. On the assumption the a memo will be acceptable for stating the EB was distributed I have started in that direction.

CC: J. Barry Harrelson, Lee S. Strickland @ DA Linda C. Cipriani) R. Bruce Burke Sent on 21 August 1998 at 05:38:38 PM