# BRIEFING-Arp Offsite, 23-24 January 1995

# Historical Review Group

# I. Background

- A. Established in 1992 by DCI as part of Openness Policy
  - Part of Historical Review Program managed by CSI
  - HR70-14 resulted from recommendations of Task Force
- B. DCI Woolsey confirmed the Program before HPSCI, 1993
  \[ \text{"Increased accessibility" to Cold War records \]
- C. Collaborate with History Staff, Academic Coordinator
- D. Purpose: Declassify certain categories of 30-year old records, of historical value
  - Topical approach used rather than systematic
  - Briefed Excom in 1993
- E. Kennedy Assassination records assigned to HRG

#### II. Releases

- A. Mandatory:
  - Kennedy Assassination records
  - Foreign Relations of the United States series, State Department
- B. Voluntary:
  - 1. Soviet National Intelligence Estimates (10 yrs old)
  - 2. "Studies in Intelligence" articles
  - Covert actions (11 identified by DCI)
  - 4. Other collections

### C. Records Released:

 JFK-Reviewed more than 325,000 pp (Sequestered, Oswald 201)
 Includes `163,000 pp microfilm print outs-72 reels

Released to NARA 217,000 pp

Third Agency (esp FBI), Hse Assntn Cmmttee, SSCI HPSCI, Ford Library - est. 100,000 pp

2. NIES-more than 400 estimates

- Interagency mechanism
- FRUS-5,700 in 1994 (4,700 in 1993)State Historian's views on covert action
- 4. Other:
  - Covert actions under review-Bay of Pigs, Guat.
     Top down approach
  - History Source Collection-28,000 pp
  - Raoul Wallenberg Collection- 1,500 pp
  - Selected documents for conferences (Harvard, Cuban Missile Crisis)
  - Dulles History (700 pp)
  - "Studies in Intelligence"

#### TOTAL RELEASES:

FY 1994-125,000 pp FY 1993-104,000 pp

E. Other factors

Had planned to do "block review" on Vietnam and Korea DI and NIC publications

- On hold in view of E.O. 12356

- III. All of this adds to already heavy work load of the IROs and others in directorates
- V. HRG Review Process-next page

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**NOTE FOR:** 

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SUBJECT:

**DECLASSIFICATION REVIEW PRESENTATION** 

- 1. THE HISTORICAL REVIEW GROUP, CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF INTELLIGENCE, IS PREPARED TO HELP SUPPORT THIS EFFORT. WE PROPOSE A DISPLAY OF THE COVERS OF SEVEN STUDIES, HANDOUTS OF ANOTHER THREE, AND SOME SORT OF GRAPHIC/HANDOUT ON THE VOLUME OF MATERIAL REVIEWED.
- 2. WE WILL, OF COURSE, NEED SOME HELP ON THE GRAPHICS -- SINCE WE HAVE NO CAPABILITY HERE OTHER THAN FOLKS WHO HAVE NICE HANDWRITING.
- 3. AS TIME PERMITS, PLEASE PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON WHERE TO BE WHEN, AND A POC FOR GRAPHICS ASSISTANCE.

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