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FROM: EUGENE YEATES, LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS TO: JUDITH MILLER, DEPT OF DEFENSE

NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY SEARCH FOR RECORDS RE ASSASSINATION

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NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY CENTRAL SECURITY SERVICE FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, MARYLAND 20755

Serial: D1/LAO-047M-78 21 November 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY AND DEPUTY SECRETARY: OF DEFENSE

ATTN: Ms. Judith A. Miller

- 1. The National Security Agency has made a thorough search of all records that might contain information pertaining to the Select Committee on Assassinations' request for information relevant to an allegation by former Air Force enlisted man, David F. Christensen, that while stationed at Kirknewton, Scotland, he intercepted information linking an assassination plot against President Kennedy with a figure in organized crime.
- 2. No communications or information relating to the Committee's request has been located. Since no other component of DoD is likely to have information related to this inquiry, suggest you use the attached draft as your response. If, however, there is any reason why the attached draft cannot be used, please consult with us before releasing the information in any other form.
  - 3. The attached draft response is unclassified.

LAGULA Z. PALLES
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Chief

Legislative Affairs

Encl: a/s



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## PROPOSED RESPONSE TO MR. BLAKEY FROM MR. KESTER

Dear Mr. Blakey:

This letter is in reply to your letter of 15 November 1978 to Secretary Brown, requesting certain information relating to the investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy.

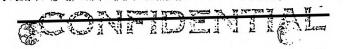
Cognizant elements of the Department of Defense have made a thorough and detailed search in an attempt to find records which might relate to the matters as recently discussed between you and Ms. Miller of my office.

The search efforts included discussions with individuals familiar with relevant operational procedures existing during the 1963 time frame, a review of records of stored files that might be applicable to your inquiry, and a physical review of specific records in warehouse storage (recognizing that most records from this period no longer exist).

The search efforts described above revealed no information relevant to your request.

Sincerely,

JOHN G. KESTER



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M/R: On 8 November, Mr. Robert G. Blakey, Chief Counsel and Staff Director for the House Select Committee on Assassinations, posed a number of questions to NSA regarding a former Air Force enlisted man's allegation that he had intercepted information linking an assassination plot against President Kennedy with a figure in organized crime. Mr. Blakey subsequently submitted a written request (dated 15 November) to support his verbal one.

In essense, the questions probed NSA's ability to quickly and thoroughly probe for records from the Air Force site in Kirknewton, Scotland (USA-55, now closed), for information relating to the allegation.

G809 and N33 personnel reviewed both a listing of data and boxed records from USA-55, but their efforts failed to reveal evidence of the alleged incident. The actual traffic from this period was minimal and no other records are extant.

The Director has approved.

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Select Committee on Assassinations

U.S. House of Representatives 3369 HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNEX 2 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

November 15, 1978

The Honorable Harold Brown Secretary of Defense Washington, D. C. 20301

Attention: Mr. John G. Kester

Special Assistant to the Secretary

Dear Mr. Secretary:

This will confirm my telephone conversation of November 14, 1978 with Mr. Yates of the agency within DOD, requesting that his agency provide to the Select Committee, in connection with its investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy, such information that it may have, including what steps it took to obtain that information, in reference to the matters which Ms. Miller of your staff and I have discussed.

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G. Robert Blakey

Chief Counsel and Director

GRB: dm

Ms. Judy Miller

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TO: DIR

SUBJ: Proposed Response to House Assassinations

Committee

Attached for your approval is a proposed draft response to an inquiry from the House Select Committee on Assassinations. The draft will be sent to John G. Kester, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, for his signature.

fot EUGENE F. YEATES

cc: D/DIR ADPL

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TO: D1

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