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August 11, 1997

BY COURIER

Office of Personnel Management FIPC Post Office Box 618 Boyers, Pennsylvania 16018-0618 CIA HAS NO OBJECTION TO DECLASSIFICATION AND/OR RELEASE OF CIA INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT

Re: Office of Personnel Management Equities in the Records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation Subject To *The John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act* 1992. 44 U.S.C. § 2107

Dear Office of Personnel Management:

The staff of the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Review Board has identified a number of FBI documents that we intend to present to the Review Board for review of postponements at the Review Board meeting on October 14 and 15, 1997. Among the documents we identified are documents in which your agency has equities. These documents are identified in the enclosed form.

We are identifying these documents to you now so that you can decide whether you wish to postpone release of the information in question. Please keep in mind the provisions of the JFK Act which anticipate that information will be withheld from public release only in "the rarest cases" and only pursuant to one of the provisions of Section 6 of the Act.

So that we may adequately prepare our presentation to the Review Board with the benefit of any submission you may wish to make, you must submit evidence or arguments in support of any postponements you choose to assert in writing no later than October 1, 1997. If you do not respond to this letter by the above deadline, we will assume that your agency intends to release in full its equities in the FBI record at issue, and we will recommend that the Review Board vote to release in full your agency's equities in the record.

Office of Personnel Management August 11, 1997 Page 2

In many of the FBI documents with third agency equities, we believe that the third agencies could, consistent with their current guidelines for JFK assassination-related information, consent to full release of the information at issue.

If you have any questions regarding the documents identified on the enclosed forms, please call Carol Keeley or Debbie Beatty of the JFK Task Force at the FBI at (202) 324-0571 or Laura Denk or Kevin Tiernan of the Review Board staff at (202) 724-0088. Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell Executive Director

Enclosure

Attachment

to August 11, 1997, Letter to Office of Personnel Management Deadline for Evidence Submission Date: October 1, 1997 Review Board Meeting Date: October 14-15, 1997

The Review Board staff intends to present documents from the following files to the Review Board for its consideration on October 14-15, 1997. Please present evidence on any postponements that you wish to claim to the Review Board staff on or before October 1, 1997.

Declan Ford William Gaudet Gerald Patrick Hemming

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D. C. 20535

To: Office of Personnel Management FIPC Post Office Box 618 Boyers, Pennsylvania 16018-0618

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From:

Carol L. Keeley, Acting Unit Chief Historical and Executive Review Unit, Office of Public and Congressional Affairs

Subject:

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Referral of Documents Responsive to the "President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992" (JFKARCA) RE: <u>Gerald Patrick Hemming Jr</u>

In connection with the review of FBI files responsive to the JFKARCA, the following was surfaced:

[X] 1 unclassified document(s) which originated with your agency. (See Index A.)

[]____unclassified FBI document(s) containing information (outlined in red) furnished by your agency. (See Index B.)

[] _____classified document(s) which originated with your agency. (See Index C.)

[]_____classified FBI document(s) containing information (outlined in red) originating with your agency. (See Index D.)

[X] <u>See continuation page for additional information.</u>

Please review your document(s) and/or information and return the document(s) to us, making any deletions you deem appropriate, citing the appropriate postponement pursuant to the JFKARCA, and advising if the document(s) still warrant(s) classification. In addition to a clean copy of the referred document(s), a copy of the document as released in response to prior Freedom of Information Act requests (if available) is also enclosed.

If you have any questions concerning this referral, please contact <u>Debbie Beatty</u> on (202)324-0571 . The FBI file number appearing on the lower right corner of the enclosed documents, as well as, the Index Listing (see reverse) should be utilized during any consultation with this Bureau concerning this referral.

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MATERIAL ATTACHED UNCLASSIFIED UPON REMOVAL OF ENCLOSURES)

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United States Office of Personnel Management

Office of Federal Investigations Federal Investigations Processing Center Boyers, Pennsylvania 16018

September 9, 1997

Your Reference

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in Reply Refer To:

Ms. Carol L. Keeley, Acting Unit Chief Historical and Executive Review Unit Office of Public and Congressional Affairs Federal Bureau of Investigation Room 6296, J.E. Hoover Building 935 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20535

Dear Ms. Keeley:

This is in reference to your August 11, 1997, letter in which you forwarded documents concerning Declan Ford, William Gaudet, and Gerald Patrick Hemming for our determination on the release of information to the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Review Board.

Postponement under Section 6(3) of the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 applies to the records of Declan Ford, William Gaudet, and Gerald Patrick Hemming. We have redacted personal information which if released would be an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy so substantial that it outweighs the public interest.

Postponement under Section 6(4) of the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 also applies to the records of Gerald Patrick Hemming. This information compromises the existence of an understanding of confidentiality currently requiring protection between a Government agent and a cooperating individual and public disclosure would be so harmful that it outweighs the public interest.

Document #7 regarding Gerald Patrick Hemming contains information that originated with the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA); therefore, this document has been referred to the CIA for review. You will be notified of the results of that determination. In addition, documents #8 and #30-32 originated with or contained information that originated with your agency. These documents are returned to your office for a determination. Postponement 6(3) applies to the OPM material on pages 30 and 32.

Document #48 regarding William Gaudet contains information that appears to have originated from the subject's Official Personnel File. This information should be forwarded to the

Ms. Carol L. Keeley

following office: OPF/EMF, Access Unit, OPM, PO Box 18673, Attn: Pam Carnes, St. Louis, MO 63118 for a postponement determination.

Sincerely, Bilin ; . K

Kathy I. Baker FOI/PA Officer

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Sincerely,

Kathy D. Baker FOI/PA Officer

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United States Office of Personnel Management

Investigations Service Federal Investigations Processing Center Boyers, Pennsylvania 16018-0618

In Reply Refer To:

Your Reference:

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Information and Privacy Coordinator Central Intelligence Agency 1603 IP Building Washington, DC 20505

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subject: Hemming Geral Patrick, J	R. D. Naturalization #:
Date of Birth: 3-1-37 (CA)	□ Alien Registration #:
· .	U.S. Citizen born abroad
AND Spouse: Patricia Ann S In response to the enclosed FOI/PA request, v	Illivan DOB: 7.14.42 - Florida

□The enclosed document(s) that originated in your agency. Please review this data for release determination and respond directly to the requester regarding your decision. We have advised the requester of this referral.

The enclosed document(s) are for your agency's review. Please make any necessary deletions, and return them to our office. We have notified the requester of our interim action, and will respond directly to the requester concerning the final action taken on the document(s).

If you have any questions about this referral, please contact the Freedom of Information/Privacy Section at 412-794-5612.

Sincerely, v D. Ba I/PA Officer

Enclosure(s): Subject's request letter Copy of OPM's response Letter to the requester Document(s)

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Public Information Release Division

VIA:

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Becky Rant, DA/IRO

FROM:

Chief, Information Review Officer Office of Personnel Security

SUBJECT:

Privacy Act: <u>Gerald P. Hemming Jr.</u> OPM Coordination

REFERENCE:

PIRD <u>aaaaa</u>

1. The Office of Personnel Security (OPS) has reviewed document seven which was forwarded by OPM for Agency review. OPS has no objection to the release of this document.

2. This review was prepared by OPS/CD/IMB/IR, 40479 (secure). The OPS responsible official in this case is

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CL BY: 0000000 CL REASON: Section 1.5 DECL ON: DRV FRM:

From the Desk of Frieda P. Omasta

NOTE FOR:	J. Barry Harrelson
FROM:	Frieda P. Omasta
OFFICE:	ADA/IRO
DATE:	11/26/97 07:37:32 AM
SUBJECT:	ARRB Request to OPM

Barry:

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On 11 August 1997, ARRB forwarded to OPM for review one OPM document containing CIA information. Unfortunately, OPM somehow interpreted the ARRB referral to be a PA/FOIA request and subsequently forwarded the document to this Agency on 9 September 1997 for our review of the CIA information contained therein. It was then forwarded through the entire system for review under those Acts.

Upon my review of OPS' response (attached), I discovered that the request should initially have been forwarded to your office for handling.

Accordingly, attached is a copy of the package of material forwarded to the Agency by OPM for your response to OPM or ARRB as appropriate. I will advise PIRD that you will providing the final response and that they only need to advise OPM of same. Also attached is OPS' review response. We have no objections to the release of the CIA information contained therein.

If you have any questions, please call me on 31201. Frieda

CC: Becky L. Rant

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Central Intelligence Agency



Washington, D.C. 20505

1 December 1997

Ms. Kathy D. Baker FOI/PA Officer Office of Personnel Management Investigations Service Federal Investigations Processing Center Boyers, Pennsylvania 16018-0618

Reference: Sep 09 97 5214

Dear Ms. Baker:

The Central Intelligence Agency has no objection to release of the enclosed document, forwarded with reference.

Inasmuch as this office is the responsible Agency component for documents falling under the purview of The John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act, I would appreciate your forwarding future referrals to me.

Meanwhile, should you need assistance, please feel free to contact me at 703-613-1825 or Ms. Miriam A. Quinlan at 703-613-1834.

Sincerely,

J. Barry Harrelson Historical Review Group

Enclosure: Document #7, Hemming, Gerald Patrick, Jr.

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