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Veciana called Veciana's store again and had a lengthy conversation with his son, Antonio, Jr. (with whom I had spoken before). Tony, Jr. told me that he had told his father about our interest in talking to him. According to the son, his father had received our letters, but he really did not want to talk to us right now. He suggested that I could leave my telephone number for his father. I told him that I did not think that his father would get back to me, if it was left to him to contact me. I was more aggressive with the son this time in describing our interest in talking to his father and explained that I had to report to my superior on my progress or lack of progress in talking to him; setting the stage for possible action requiring him to cooperate with us. Tony, Jr. said that he would talk to his father again tonight and explain the importance of talking to us for the sake of history and as part of his responsibility. He suggested that Tony, Sr. might be willing to talk to us down there in a "more family type atmosphere" as opposed to talking over the telephone. He reported that his father speaks in broken English and it might be more effective to speak to him in person. Tony, Jr. raised the issue of the attempt on his father's life after the HSCA report was issued as possibly explaining his reluctance to speak to us. According to his son, Veciana, Sr. was angry that the FBI knew his life had been threatened and did not report it to him. I took this opportunity to reiterate that we are an independent federal agency, answering to none of the intelligence agencies. Tony, Jr., said that he would call me tomorrow after speaking with his father tonight about our interest in interviewing him. I will advise you on what happens tomorrow. Sixth Floor Museum I called and spoke with Jeff West today. He reported that "the check is in the mail!" West claims that an approximately 76 page inventory was mailed to the Review Board yesterday. If we do not get it by Friday, I think we may want to take a more serious action and I would like to discuss what you want to do about the situation. However, for now, we will assume that West is acting in good faith and if the inventory was really mailed on Tuesday, it certainly should arrive by Friday. Miriam Nisbet put another call into her, after she did not respond to my April 3rd call. If she does not get back to me by Friday, or does call back, but has nothing of substance to report as far as movement within NARA on the ballistics issue, I would like to talk to you about putting the idea of the letter to the Archivist before the Board for consideration next week. Given the slowness of bureaucracies on issues such as this, as well as all that would have to happen before the testing actually took place (selection of independent persons to be involved in testing, how it was going to be documented, etc.), I am concerned about the amount of time that is passing without action by NARA.

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