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Subject: Church Committee records

I'm wondering if it's time for some sort of formal/high-level contact between the ARRB and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, (SSCI) re: Church Committee records. To recap, briefly, my understanding of the current situation: the SSCI has processed 40 boxes of Church Committee material which is out at NARA II in redacted form (SSCI retains the originals, either on the Hill or in courtesy storage/restricted access at NARA I). They claimed some time ago to Steve Tilley that they had "one more box" to process, and that's why they've failed to turn over their disks to Steve. All Steve (and we) have is a hardcopy finding aid to the 40 boxes. Steve has subsequently been given reason to believe that there may be a lot more unprocessed Church Committee material than the one box SSCI told him about. Last year Steve sent the SSCI a letter on all this, and he spoke with someone as long ago as May of 1995. My general understanding is that he's received no substantive reply. Part of the explanation, says Steve, is that the Democrats (when they controlled the Committee) gave the grunt work of processing records under the JFK Act to then-Minority staffers (Republicans). Those staffers are now the Committee Staff Director and his chief assistant, respectively, who no longer have time for such low priorities as complying with our statute. Not that I need more Congressionally-generated records to process, but it could turn out to be a problem if we don't get those completed disks this calendar year. Perhaps we should begin the process of trying to ascertain the status of the SSCI's efforts?

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