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To: david_marwell @ jfk-arrrb.gov @ Internetcc: (bcc: David Marwell/ARRB)From: wljoyce @ firestone.Princeton.EDU ("William L. Joyce") @ Internet @ WORLDCOM Date: 04/28/96 02:00:19 PM CDTSubject: New Orleans visit follow-upDavid: I hope your trip back to Washington was uneventful and easy. I couldn't get anything earlier, and my flight was delayed about 45 minutes, so I didn't arrive at Newark until about midnight. But apart from a long stay at the N. O. airport (nearly five hours before I departed!), everything worked out just fine... In thinking about those prosecution records and reviewing my listings against those prepared by the HSCA and Tom and Jeremy, I have reached several conclusions: 1. The order of the records has been seriously disturbed, and I believe that records are missing (in addition to those removed-- and carefully noted-- by HSCA staff). 2. The current storage condition of the records puts them at further risk, especially the many forms of tapes that exist in the collection. 3. After arranging with NARA (if that proves to be possible), I think we should offer to Connick that we will have the records processed (my preliminary idea is that there are four series: investigative files; media interviews of various types; trial testimony; and "other documentation and artifacts," including, among others, bullets and bullet casings, a library card for "Clem Bertrand," a flight plan evidently filed by David Ferrie, and that "Guide to Massive Retaliation") and returned to him, ON THE CONDITION that the records be transferred to a repository with a full-time, trained archivist where they will be available on an open and equal basis to all researchers. 4. For our part, we will accept copies of the files and accept reformatted copies of all tapes-- video, audio, and dictabelt (and offer Connick reformatted copies as well, for reference purposes) in return for the records being transferred to a competently managed repository. I believe that there are very likely in the investigative files transcriptions of many of the tapes we saw. 5. It is clear to me, as I think to you, that Connick is not in a compromising mood concerning the grand jury records. That is not likely to change while there is a reelection campaign underway. Therefore, I propose asking Justice if it is feasible for us, AFTER the election, to petition a court in the appropriate jurisdiction there (and I realize that might in itself be a problem) for a judgment about the status of the records, and hopefully the court would rule that they are assassination records. If the court makes that ruling (preferably in response to a joint request with the D. A., but I don't think that is likely), it could facilitate our relations (and any necessary future cooperation) with Connick. I shall fax to you on Monday my listings of the file headings that I transcribed on Friday. Let me know if you have any questions about those listings or this message. See you in a couple of weeks. --Bill

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