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Assassination Records in Permanent Senate Intelligence Comm. files

Applingres. I don't know why my computer sum does this, I can parely remember who inherene inhueza is, for crying out loud. To: Roncc: Jeremy, Michelle Mrdeza, Bob, Kevin From: Joseph Freeman/ARRB Date: 07/10/98 06:58:03 PMSubject: Assassination Records in Permanent Senate Intelligence Comm. filesCongratulations again on gaining access to Church Committee records. I envy those of you who will be sifting through them! I wanted to follow up quickly on the issue Ron and I discussed: indications that there were probably some assassination records (though a limited number) created by the new permanent Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SCI), as opposed to the Church Committee whose successor it was. Some of what I touch on below is covered in an old memo of mine, dated May 17, 1996, subject: "Church Committee and Post-Church Committee SSCI Records", Freeman e:\wp-docs\032196, File 4.34.4 (one can only hope). As introduction, note that on p. 7 of the Church Committee's Book V, under the "Findings" section, it states: "The Committee recommends that its successor, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, the permanent Senate Committee overseeing intelligence operations, continue the investigation in an attempt to resolve these questions."Similarly, there is a letter which Schweiker and Hart sent (I think) to the incoming Chairman of the new permanent Committee, referencing their recommendation that the permanent Committee undertake further inquiry into issues their subcommittee had been unable to resolve (this letter should be attached to the original memo referenced above; I found it in the open Church Committee stuff at NARA II). Now, asking for things don't make it so, but there are also indications that the new permanent Committee followed up on the Schweiker/Hart recommendation. First, on p. 199 of Gaeton Fonzi's The Last Investigation, Fonzi relates a call he had w/Antonio Veciana on 1/1/77, in which Veciana tells Fonzi that he had been called back to Washington to appear before the new permanent Senate Intelligence Committee. "I was three days in Washington," says Veciana, who relates he was asked about assassination-related topics as well as his anti-Castro activities. Two pages later (p. 201), Fonzi says that Veciana had been interviewed by the permanent Committee's staff counsel.In the HSCA files (180-10117-10032), there is a Montgomery County Police Department file on the murder of one Eugene Carrafa which references that Santos Trafficante was interviewed by the Senate Intelligence Committee on 10/1/76 (post-Church) (p. 118). This interview appears to have been concerning the murder of Church Committee witness John Roselli. A 8/13/76 entry in the same MCPD record references that Mario Kohly "recently" testified before a "Senate subcommittee" which had also taken testimony from John Roselli (p. 56 of MCPD record). This second reference could be to the Church Committee, but it might refer to the post-Church, new permanent Committee era. There is a letter from

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