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Subject: Re: Judith Exner
 JUDITH GOOD. THANKS FOR THE UPDATE. TO: TOM SAMOLUK/ARRBCC: DAVID MARWELL/ARRB FROM: JEREMY
 Gunn/ARRBDate: 05/15/97 08:47:34 AMSubject: Re: Judith ExnerDavid and I spoke after receiving your
 initial message. I called Lesar and spoke to him. He said he would talk to her and see if she would like to talk
 to us. Lesar had a few additional points of relevance.To: Jeremy Gunn/ARRB, David
 Marwell/ARRBcc: From: Tom Samoluk/ARRBDate: 05/14/97 03:58:48 PMSubject: Re: Judith ExnerAt a
 minimum, I believe that making contact with her and asking if she has records would be worth the limited
 time and resources required to take that step. My thoughts on the questions you pose:1. Why Exner rather
 than the dozens of other equally viable candidates?I would argue that the foundation for an interview is the
 apparent HSCA interest in talking to her. I do not know if there is a paper trail in the HSCA files on what they
 wanted to ask her. Depending on who else is on your list, I believe that the HSCA interest in Exner may set her
 apart from "other equally viable candidates."Query, would the HSCA have interviewed her if they had more
 time? Perhaps some sense of the Committee staff's views can be found in the files. 2. What do we think she
 might contribute to the story?The argument in favor of an interview would be that she could possibly add to
 the historical record on alleged organized crime links to the Kennedys and assassination plots against Castro.
 Again, any hints in the HSCA records? One additional point. Information and public appearances from Exner
 has come in "clumps" (1975 press conference after Church Committee revelations; 1977 publication of her
 book; 1988 People magazine revelations; 1996-97 Vanity Fair, ABC's "20/20," interview with Hersh). Given
 this history, her age and poor health, perhaps she is willing to say more to us at this point in her life.To: Tom
 Samoluk/ARRBcc: David Marwell/ARRBFrom: Jeremy Gunn/ARRBDate: 05/14/97 01:51:45 PMSubject: Re:
 Judith ExnerI have no doubt that Exner would be interesting. According to what Lesar said, she probably
 would be willing to talk to us. My concerns regarding an interview (as opposed to just asking if she has any
 records) is, essentially, as follows.Why Exner rather than the dozens of other equally viable candidates? What
 do we think she might contribute to the story? Let's suppose she fills out the story about being a courier
 between Giancana and JFK and that she makes her allegations regarding her sexual relations with JFK.
 Although I don't deny the possible relevancy of this information, I do wonder what we might get that really
 would be helpful. Although I would enjoy the preparation and the interview, she does seem to me to be
 somewhat peripheral.David?To: Jeremy Gunn/ARRBcc: From: Tom Samoluk/ARRBDate: 05/14/97 11:54:22
 AMSubject: Judith ExnerJeremy: I recently reread the January 1997 Vanity Fair article on Judith Exner. The
 author writes that:Between 1976 and 1978, the House Select Committee on Assassinations wanted to go to
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