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Dear Ms. Swift, Thank you for writing. Negotiations with the National Archives have taken place, and Robert White has agreed to remove from the auction and turn over to the National Archives 20 or so documents, three of which contain national security information, along with an Oval Office writing table. Mr. White also has agreed to allow the National Archives to make copies of approximately 100 documents before they are sold. This information was obtained by me from an article that appears in today's Washington Post. I hope this is helpful to you. Eileen Sullivan  
To: Eileen\_Sullivan @ jfk-arrb.govcc: bcc: Eileen Sullivan/ARRB) From: MSwift1002 @ aol.com @ INTERNET @ INTERLIANT Date: 03/17/98 06:07:00  
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Dear Ms Sullivan I have been sent an article from the Washington Post about the forthcoming auction of JFK memorabilia previously in the possession of Evelyn Lincoln, President Kennedy's former secretary, which I am forwarding to you. I am sure that the ARRB is aware of this auction and I was wondering whether any of these items, particularly any documents, could be subpoenaed. I have heard that documents relating to JFK's funeral may be among these items, and it would be wrong, I think, if any such items, or any others of historical interest, should end up in private hands. Is there anything, do you know, that could come under the heading of Assassination Records and which would therefore be within the remit of the ARRB? Does the ARRB have any views about the question of whether Evelyn Lincoln had rightful ownership of these items? Does the ARRB know what will be included in the auction? Do you have any plans to subpoena any items? I, and I'm sure many others, are concerned that things which should rightly become part of the historical record may be lost to the general public, and we look to the ARRB to ensure that they are not, especially after the decision with regard to the Zapruder film, which was a great and perhaps groundbreaking decision. Thanking you for your attention and hoping you can shed some light on the issue. Yours sincerely  
Melanie Swift-----

----- Kennedy Loyalists Question Ownership of Items Set for Auction By Lloyd Grove Washington Post Staff Writer Thursday, January 1, 1998; Page B08A  
New York auction house's right to stage a much-ballyhooed sale of dozens of artifacts collected by John F. Kennedy's longtime personal secretary was questioned this week by Kennedy family loyalists. Boston lawyer Paul Kirk, chairman of the family-controlled Kennedy Library Foundation, suggested that the secretary, the late Evelyn F. Lincoln, might not have been the rightful owner of many of the items she amassed during her 12 years as Kennedy's secretary in Congress and the White House. "You can be sure that serious questions will be raised in appropriate venues by appropriate parties and authorities regarding the provenance of these items," Kirk said Tuesday in a statement left on a reporter's voice Record

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