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Dear David:

This is in response to your letter of November 8, 1995 in which you conveyed the request of the Assassination Records Review Board to be provided access to "any and all internal CIA histories or retrospective studies or reports" on several topics.

We have begun to identify histories and other items that would meet the Board's request. The CIA Historian is assisting in this effort.

I suggest that we discuss with you or your staff the possibility of modifying the request somewhat. Several of the items mentioned in your letter cover a broad range of topics. It would be helpful, for example, if the pertinent historical time period for each item were specified, as well as what topics in the requested items would be of interest to the Board. This would assist us in excluding sensitive information that the Board would regard as non-relevant to the assassination or to the scope of the investigation.

Given the sensitivity of some of the materials requested, we would prefer that you designate one or two people to review the histories and other items in our offices.

Please let me know your views on the above suggestions. We appreciate the constructive efforts that you and your colleagues have made over the past year to work out reasonable, secure ways of handling documents. For our part, we are committed to being as responsive as possible to the Board's interests.

Sincerely,

John F. Pereira