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Junkkarinen: Any information I had of probative value found its way into Case Closed. I can assure you that I have nothing whatsoever that would be of interest or helpful to the AARB, or would fall within its mandate. My long-standing policy is that all of my research materials, concerning all my books and magazine articles, shall eventually be deposited with a university or library. These materials may be most helpful to journalists interested in how to tackle investigative subjects, as opposed to any material assistance on the subjects covered. Regarding the particular taped conversations you mention, i.e. those with Doctors Boswell and Humes, you should note that those were private conversations as they were preparing at the time to talk exclusively, on the record, to JAMA. Dr. Humes authorized me to use the interview with him for only a single point, i.e. that Dr. Bruce Smith, the deputy director of the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, had chosen Dr. Pierre Finck when searching for a pathologist experienced in gunshot wounds. The tapes of those conversations might only be interesting if one wants to compare how memories change over time, and to test the foibles of recall some thirty years after the event. But they have no effect on the facts of the case. Fortunately, all of us do not have to rely on the observations of Doctors Humes and Boswell in order to determine what happened at the autopsy. We have better, and incontrovertible evidence - the autopsy x-rays and photos. With those photos and x-rays, it does not matter what the doctors recorded about the location of the wounds at the time of the autopsy, much less where they recall them today, or four years ago. The wounds can, and have been, placed with precision based on the best evidence. I cited my conversations with those doctors to correct what I considered a misrepresentation from another witness in congressional testimony. However, I trust that the doctors' recent testimony before the AARB will stand as their most current position regarding their memory of the medical details. You should also note that any possibility of an early, or partial release of my research materials, is out of the question due to the constant barrage of personal attacks, aspersions, and innuendo, directed at me for over a year. I have been subjected to constant harassment by people I deem both obsessed and disturbed by the JFK assassination. Their unwarranted actions have resulted in an unalterable position for me. In my opinion, these individuals, while trying to pass themselves off as reasonable brokers of information, are not interested in the truth, but rather in proselytizing a false history. You may be unaware of some of the background to this controversy. When Dr. Boswell mistakenly told a researcher that he did not remember talking to me in 1992, I was contacted by several people. They raised the question of whether I had actually interviewed Dr. Boswell, as I had previously stated.

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