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Subject: FBI Requests

I don't know when the first (or next) meeting of the "priorities committee" is scheduled, but I wish to memorialize in one place some suggestions that, at least for the most part, I have mentioned to you previously in a piecemeal, oral manner.(1) We should consider including, in our next round of additional information and records requests to the FBI, the following subjects: (a) At the very least, the NAR pages of the FBI HQ Lee Oswald cross-reference document in which an interviewee discusses Veciana's claim to have seen Lee Oswald in Dallas in 1963. I would rather ask for the entire HQ file on the interviewee. The serial number for the partial document that has been processed under the ARCA (and which Tom, you, and I have discussed) indicates that the file up to the time of the reported interview is not voluminous. (b) Documents recording the FBI's follow-up on the report that, years after the fact, Marcello made statements linking himself to the Kennedy assassination. (c) Additional documents relating to Lee Oswald's residence in the USSR that, according to the documents from 1990 that we have discussed, the FBI should have in its possession. (d) A written explanation and documentation of the search conducted to date for the FBI records that are "on locate." See my 5/18/95 E-mail on this subject.(2) It has been a month since the first set of requests went to the FBI, and we still have not had access to the requested source files. I know that David has spoken with Terry O'Connor about this subject, but I don't know when the latest contact was or where things stand now. The last I heard, most or all of the requested files had been located, and Terry represented that none of them were for Oswald. Terry wanted to explore the idea of providing access to enough (not all) of each file to allow the reviewing staff member to satisfy himself that the subject of the file was not Oswald. Even if such a limitation is judged acceptable for the "172-S" requests, it will not work for the "NO 1213-S" request. (3) As to the Giancana HQ files, it strikes me as desirable, although not of the highest priority, to make a recommendation to the Review Board at the July 17-18 meeting as to whether/how much of these files should be determined to be assassination records. If you agree, then I suggest that you and I discuss (with input from Kevin, as necessary) how to present such a recommendation to the Review Board and what we need to do in preparation.

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