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**Subject:** Research Projects  
I would like to propose some research projects requiring Sydney to locate certain former government officials that I think may be helpful in verifying that we are locating all the relevant files for some of the major agencies. I would envision a short telephone interview with these individuals if they are indeed alive and locatable. If agreeable to the you and/or the Research Committee, can we forward this to Sydney to authorize him to locate these individuals. They are:1. Robert L. Keuch -- He was the Department of Justice liaison to the HSCA. In this position, he represented all of the DOJ components, including FBI and INS. In his correspondence to the HSCA he had referred to a "department" file on Oswald that, from the context, seemed to connote Department of Justice, but DOJ has stated that he must have been referring to an FBI file on Oswald. I would like to clarify this point and see what he remembers generally regarding DOJ files made available to the HSCA.2. Robert Gemberling -- Jeremy said I could go ahead and contact him (this was a whiile ago). He was one of the FBI agents working out of Dallas on the Kennedy investigation, and my memory is that he was mentioned by Hosty as being a key person involved in the assassination investigation. Moreover, a researcher said that Gemberling had helped DeLoach write the Kennedy assassination portion of his book. I think we should interview Gemberling on the issue of records generated out of Dallas during the investigation, including whether there are any discrete files apart from the main Kennedy investigation file for Dallas and for Headquarters. Sydney could probably get his address from FBI.3. G. D'Andelot Belin -- He was the General Counsel for the Department of Treasury at the time of the Warren Commission proceedings. He worked with the Secret Service in connection with their report to the Commission. I think we should interview him on any insight he could give us on Secret Service and Treasury records.4. Rufus Taylor -- He was head of the Office of Naval Intelligence at the time of the assassination and he had prepared an affidavit stating that Oswald was not affiliated with Naval intelligence. This affidavit, I believe, was not submitted to the Warren Commission. Instead, it appears that McNamara executed a more general affidavit for the Commission, relying on whatever information was provided by the armed services. The Navy has not located Taylor's files. I think he should be interviewed on the issue of his files , including whether he retained any papers.5. Arthur W. Bales, Jr. -- He is identified in a WHCA document as "the WHCA Trip Officer for Presidential Visit to Dallas, Texas" and in another memo (I think it was a Secret Service report but I am not sure) as the WHCA official who made the communications arrangements in Dallas on the day of the assassination. Given that we have received no records of WHCA communications from the 1963-64 time period and given the interest in the Air Firce 1 communications on November 22, I think we should try to contact him.6. High Level FBI Officials -- I want to

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