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I have a call into Nina Noring re: Gore-Chernomyrdin. See report below.CALL REPORTDocument's Author: Jeremy Gunn/ARRB Date Created: 03/02/98 The Players Description of the Call Date: 03/02/98Subject: KGB RecordsSummary of the Call:I spoke to day with Dino, who is Sen. Bob Smith's staffer who handles the Toon Commission (POW-MIA) activities. He was cooperative and willing to help, although there does not seem to be much that he can do. Our discussion points included (not in order):1. Description of ARRB. Dino was familiar-he said that he had heard that we have done a lot of work. Explanation of mandate to pursue foreign records.2. Dino said that he, Sen. John Kerry, and Sen. Bob Smith met with Oleg Nechiporenko in Moscow in 1992. Dino was there. Nechiporenko said that he had met with Oswald in Mexico City, and said that there were classified KGB records on the subject. I advised that Nechiporenko had since written a book on the subject, but had not released much new in the way of records.3. Based upon Dino's statements, I came to believe that the Toon Commission is not high-profile and not likely to be an inroad to further records. He said that he was pleased when the Toon Commission got onto the Gore-Chernomyrdin agenda two years ago. They have had some modest ongoing contacts with Primakov (now FM, then head of KGB); Mamedov (current deputy to Primakov); Mazurov (involved with FIS/KGB archives).4. I suggested that the Smolensk archives may be a good route to an exchange with Russia. Dino and I will follow up.5. Dino suggests that we get a dip note from USEmbassy Moscow to Primakov. That should help our work. In short, friendly, helpful -- but did not significantly advance the ball.

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