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Subject: Conference Call Summary

Dear Jack, Arma, Din, Herry, and Kermich am writing to sum up the items that Arma, Din, Herry, and Fuscussed today on the conference call.(1) Tentative Plans for Review Board meeting on August 25/26As you know, we have a two day meeting scheduled for August 25th and 26th. On the 25th, Senator Rudman is scheduled to come to the Board's offices at 10 a.m. to present PFIAB's position on its assassination records. That afternoon, the Board has a tentatively scheduled appointment to meet with Sr. Fernando Ramirez, Chief of the Cuban Interest Section, to discuss Cuban records. Irene Marr and I were able to reach the Cuban Interest Section on Tuesday. Sr. Ramirez is out of town until August 21, but his secretary was familiar with the work of the Board and had read Jack's letter to Sr. Ramirez. The secretart thought that Ramirez would be pleased to meet with the Board, but she promised to confirm the meeting when Ramirez returned on the 21st. The location of the meeting is still to be determined. On the 26th, Stephanie Fawcett of the JFK Library will be here to make a presentation to the Board. Stephanie requested an audience with the Board and she presumably would like to discuss the JFK Library's compliance with the JFK Act. We told Stephanie that she was welcome to come to Washington, but that we still intended to depose her, Will Johnson, and Megan Desnoyers in compliance depositions. Ron has arranged for these three depositions to take place in Boston, at the Library, on September 2. In the afternoon on August 26th, we have scheduled an open meeting for 2:00 p.m. in which we will discuss the Final Report.(2) Final ReportAfter we discussed the current draft of the Final Report at the Board's meeting last Thursday, I sent copies of the report to our editor, Elliott Negin, and to Jeremy. Elliott will be working on the report this week and told me that he would call me by the end of the week to talk about his initial ideas for the report. As you know, after his last meeting with the Review Board, Jeremy approached Tracy and I and offered to continue to work on the report. After consulting with the Board, we agreed that his assistance would be valuable and we told him that we would pay him hourly, at the same salary that he had been making, to work on the report. This morning, Jeremy called and left me a voice mail explaining that he decided that he would not be able to work on the report, as he would be very busy working on other matters. He did say that he was still willing to do the depositions of the Dallas doctors. (3) Ballistics Testing At the August 6 meeting, representatives from NARA, including Lew Ballardo, met with the Board to discuss a plan for conducting the ballistics testing of the bullet fragment. After the meeting, we decided that Tracy, in her role as Deputy Director, would act as the staff expert on the ballistics testing. This week, Tracy has come completely up to speed on the ballistics issue and has been doing a great job making sure that the testing occurs in an expedient and responsible manner. As part of its effort to test the fragment, NARA has been in

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