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To: Jeremy Gunn/ARRBcc: (bcc: Non-Record/ARRB)From: Irene Marr/ARRBDate: 11/25/97 04:47:27  
PMSubject: Re: Nellie Connally's DiaryTina Houston checked with Middleton's office. The Nellie Connolly reading was videotaped with the understanding that it would be for internal use only until she decides what she wants to do with the notes. The Library is very interested in having her notes so they are going to respect her wishes for the time being regarding the tape. According to Tina, Mrs. Connolly has not decided whether to keep the notes within the family or turn them over to the LBJ Library on deposit.I also asked about the Jackie Kennedy tapes. Tina Houston said no decision has yet been made. If Middleton decides to keep them closed, he would let the Board listen to them again or the Board can over-rule the decision. If he decides to open them, he would then make them available along with the next 1998 public release which has not been scheduled. In other words, there would be no separate release for those particular tapes. Tina indicated that personally Middleton would release them, but there were other concerns that had to be ironed out. She could not say when he would be making the decision but has told him she wants to be able to address that point in her response to our last letter. She also mentioned that Beschloss's claim that the Kennedy family said not to open the tapes was untrue. To: Irene Marr/ARRBcc: Tom Samoluk/ARRB From: Jeremy Gunn/ARRB Date: 11/25/97 08:53:45 AMSubject: Nellie Connally's DiaryPlease call the LBJ Library and ask if they have any recordings of Nellie. (Please don't raise the issue of her original notes.)To: Jeremy Gunncc: From: Tom Samoluk/ARRBDate: 11/24/97 10:15:16 PMSubject: Nellie Connally's DiaryA researcher raised whether or not the Board was going to obtain the Nellie Connally diary, or a copy. I know you had contact with her regarding her diary, but I was wondering if in light of the fact that she recently did a reading at the LBJ Library it was worth Irene seeing if we could make some headway through the Library. Perhaps we could get an audio or videotape of her reading into the JFK Collection.

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