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Subject: Re: Working Press

Thanks!!!!...I've already spoken w/David about the next step...-----
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PMSubject: Working Press
There are two chapters in Edward McCarthy's book, "The Working Press," that
mention the JFK assassination. The chapter that specifically mentions the four Cuban murder squads fails to
mention one of the two sources for his unpublished story. The first source, presumably a police official, was
unnamed and even McCarthy assumes he is deceased. This source provided very little information for his
story. According to Mr. McCarthy, the INS official provided all the detailed information on the story. Based on
Mr. McCarthy's reputation and reporting skills, it is very likely that this information was transmitted to him by
his sources. Mr. McCarthy mentions Washington Bureau Chief Grant Dillman by name and says that the
Washington UPI bureau was actively involved in working on the story, but does not name specific reporters.
Mr. Dillman said he does not remember the event and is doubtful such events took place. It is possible that
Mr. Dillman may not remember the event. I would suggest that Mr. McCarthy be asked to give us the name of
his initial source for the story and ARRB staff try to contact him. In addition, we should attempt to contact the
INS official, if he is still alive, and to again talk with Mr. Dillman to determine if he may have forgotten the
incident. It should be noted that Mr. McCarthy affirms that government officials in Washington later confirmed
the facts of the story, but he again does not name who. Even with UPI's fanatic desire to get stories on the
wire, a story of this magnitude, based on a single source, would prompt intense skepticism from editors. UPI
may have "pegged" the story at the government's request, but it is indeed doubtful that (if the government
had indeed confirmed the hit squads existed) UPI would have later dumped the story after the publication of
the Warren Commission report. Respectfully, Thomas L. Wilborn

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