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**Subject:** Re: Preliminary Report on Visit to JFK Library

mains for the report. Thave reviewed this memo carefully and would like to talk to you and ivilchelle as soon as possible.To:David Marwell/ARRB, Jeremy Gunn/ARRB, Michelle Combs/ARRBcc: From:Tom Samoluk/ARRBDate:07/23/97 06:53:25 PMSubject:Preliminary Report on Visit to JFK LibraryI spent several hours at the Library yesterday, meeting with Stephanie Fawcett, Mary, her assistant, and Megan Desnoyers. Here is what I have learned about the various categories of records:1. JFKL Designated Assassination Records (originally with 369 redactions) I was told that the Library cannot give us a precise figure on how many documents they have until they get the database they need from the Archives (the Library system had a computer virus I was told). I reviewed 34 documents on Cuba from the "NSF" category that Mary pulled out that either have redactions from other agencies after being reviewed under the JFK Act or were reviewed by other agencies under the old executive order and determined to be "exempt" from that executive order. The documents in the latter group have not been reviewed under the JFK Act. (I have the RIF numbers and can provide them to you, if you are interested.) Per my previous conversation with Jeremy and Michelle, I advised Mary to send the above mentioned documents to the Review Board (unredacted and redacted versions). "Confidential" records will be sent soon (no precise date, but maybe next week) and "Top Secret" records will be sent by DOD courier whenever the next plane is going to DC. According to Mary, we cannot receive "Top Secret" records directly and they have to do to the Archives first which has the ability to receive "Top Secret" records. I told Mary that the ARRB staff will attempt to expedite the relevant agency review of the records, leading to a Board vote. Based on my recollection of what was being opened up by the Board, I think that a the Board will not sustain a lot of the postponements. Mary was going to search for additional assassination records, but will not be able to do a complete search until they have the data base. She does not think that there will be more than 50 additional documents. Mary reiterated something that she had told Michelle and I previously. Namely, that under NARA's guidance they had originally searched in the Cuba and Organized Crime files for assassination records. Today, after David faxed me the original "369 redactions" list of assassination records designated in 1993 by the Library and I looked at it, I realized (belatedly) that whatever Stephanie and Mary have said to me, their universe is only the classified documents. There is obviously much more on the list that has to be pursued with Megan. I will do that when I return from vacation (August 4).2. Documents Designated by Review Board Staff as Assassination Records of EHUa. Assassination RecordsStephanie told me that, in general, these documents designated as assassination records are either declassified or pending a response from DOD. Stephanie cited the fact that they have not received the data

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