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Subject: Re: our church memo

The HSCA dealt directly with the (then-new) Senate Intelligence Committee for access to certain Church Committee files and records. There are HSCA records which reference arrangements being worked out between the HSCA and the Senate Intelligence Committee for such access. So it is possible HSCA staff saw records in the control of the SIC which may or may not have included some from the 62-117290 file. It would seem to me (total speculation) that the HSCA, with everything else they were doing, was unlikely to have had the time or inclination to pursue access to the entire file, per se (either through the SIC, or directly w/the Bureau). I suppose one could check that HSCA correspondence/request file (what was the name of that record series -- the one you copied early on and which was opened in full at NARA II before the Board got up and running?) for HSCA-FBI correspondence referencing the file. If one didn't find a specific reference to the file there, I'd just assume HSCA never requested/got access to the whole thing. Don't know if that's helpful.

To: Joseph Freeman/ARRBcc: Jeremy Gunn/ARRB From: Kevin Tiernan/ARRB Date: 11/05/97 05:22:06 PM
Subject: Our church memo

We will hopefully be done with the Church Committee/FBI records memo when the next Board meeting is over. But in the meantime I have a question. Is it clear to you whether or not the HSCA had access to any of the 62-117290 file? Jeremy brings this up as a criteria for whether or not we need to have the Board vote on the non-assassination records as NBR. He thinks if they did not see the whole file, then we can handle it as a purely administrative matter. I suspect the only reason any documents were processed by the FBI out of this file is that they knew there were some assassination records in there, and so they reviewed the whole thing. And they assigned rif numbers to the whole thing just because they wanted to be overly cautious. Do you think there is any easy way of finding out whether the HSCA staff had access to the 62-117290 file? I guess I could ask the Bureau.

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