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Subject: Re: Scheduling Experts Conference on Declassification-Secrecy
 JEREMY.I START OUT WITH CONCERN OVER THE INCLUSION OF A MEMBER OF THE MEDIA. FIRST, WHO DO WE CHOOSE: Weiner? Lardner? Morley? We make one person happy and the "nots" unhappy. Second, I think it is hard to ask a reporter to attend, but say they cannot write about it. As you noted, members of the media would not necessarily be clamoring to attend, but if they hear about it or if an article appeared some of the ones I know would be miffed because they did not attend.Maybe there is a way to do it without alienating anyone and without getting a bad article. We certainly should flesh it out more.Tom To:Tom Samoluk/ARRBcc: From:Jeremy Gunn/ARRB Date:01/06/98 01:11:19 PMSubject:Re: Scheduling Experts Conference on Declassification-SecrecyYour thoughts?To:Jeremy_Gunn @ jfk-arrb.govcc: (bcc: Jeremy Gunn/ARRB)From:Hall.409 @ osu.edu @ INTERNET @ INTERLIANT Date:01/06/98 12:48:39 PM PSTSubject:Re: Scheduling Experts Conference on Declassification-SecrecyJeremy, thanks for the timely action. I vote for the 13th and 14th.On persons to ask, I would include Max Holland and Athan Theoharris. Wemight also want to find someone from the Moynihan Commission, who you (orAnna) would know. I'd also be interested in seeing someone from the assassination community there who has followed the play, and Mark Zaidmight be a possibility. Again, I would defer to you on his qualifications.Finally, would it make sense to get someone in the media, perhaps from theNYT or the Washington Post? There is also the prospect of a well informedmedia person, but having just seen Deconstructing Harry I now realize thatthey are all in the 7th level of Hell, and it is full.Best,KermitAt 10:59 AM 1/6/98 -0500, you wrote:>>>>>During the Annapolis meeting I suggested that the Board's may wish to hold>an expert's conference on issues such as declassification and government>policy on secrecy. I would suggest that it be a day-long discussion among>a group of experts who could make suggestions about possible>recommendations that the Board might make in its final report. For reasons>of cost and convenience, it would be useful to schedule the conference in>conjunction with a regularly scheduled Board meeting.>>I would like to propose that the conference be held on Monday, April 13,>the day before the regularly scheduled Board meeting. (Easter is on April>12.) If you would like to attend such a conference, please let me know>promptly if April 13th works with your schedule. If not, is Wednesday,>April 15th acceptable?>>I would also like to hear your suggestions for people who might be invited>to attend. I mentioned to you that David Garrow is very interested and>that I think he would be a good addition. For the most part, it would be>helpful (for cost reasons) if the invitees are from the Washington area.>>>>>Kermit L. HallDean, College of HumanitiesProfessor of History and LawThe Ohio State University186 University Hall230 North Oval MallColumbus, Ohio 43210-1319hall.409@osu.edu614-292-1882

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