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Body: Excellent idea. To: Jeremy Gunn/ARRB, Tom Samoluk/ARRBcc: From: Ron Haron/ARRBDate: 02/11/98
01:28:05 PMSubject: Expert's ConferenceJust a thought, which you may have already considered, but perhaps one of the agenda items for the Experts Conference can be the releasability/openess of Congressional records. Congressional records are not subject to FOIA, and I do not know what other procedures, if any, are available to the public to get access to such records or to seek declassification of such records [Does the new Executive Order on mandatory declassification cover Congressional records?]. And, indeed, the 50 year closure rule on certain House records was how the JFK issue got started (I am referring to the epilogue of Oliver Stone's film wherein he indicated that Congressional records on the Kennedy assassination would not be available to the public until 2029). Furthermore, our own ARRB experience is revealing how key Congressional records (the testimony of high Government officials on matters of historical interest -- Colby on Chile is an example) are closed (unnecessarily??) for long periods of time.

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