

ZAPRUDER FILM CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY EXAMINATION CONDUCTED
AT NARA ON AUGUST 2, 1996

NARA I. D. Number	Description of Film	NARA Media Format	Is Unique Perforated I. D. Number Present?	Is I. D. Number Which Was Perforated on Original in 1963 Optically Printed on Copy?	Remarks
200ZAP1	Camera Original Zapruder Film	1 ORSK(P) 8mm	No: Kodak affidavit executed 11/22/63 called for perforated number 0183 in leader	N/A	The letters "Safety Film" appear on the edge of the processed film; the word "ORG" (written by hand with a marking pen or crayon) appears on the leader. Viewing conditions during the examination prohibited viewing the edge numbers with any precision. The images between the sprocket holes, while contiguous with the remainder of the image in each frame, exhibited a different color balance (i.e., appeared "silvery" and exhibited less vivid color) than the remainder of the image in each frame.
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				1963 Optically Printed on Copy?	
87.010	Secret Service copy 1 (1st generation copy)	1 MPPSK(P) 8mm	No: Kodak affidavit executed 11/22/63 called for one of these three numbers to be perforated in the leader: 0185, 0186 or 0187	Yes: 0183 was optically printed on white-colored leader; leader is spliced onto processed film	The lettering "Kodachrome IIA" and "Processed by Kodak NOV 63" appears on the edge of the processed film. Several sprocket holes were damaged (ripped through) and one frame exhibited "burn-through" (melting).
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87.010	Secret Service copy 2 (1st generation copy)	1 MPPSK(P) 8mm	Yes: 0186 is perforated in the leader, and is one of	No	The words "Processed by Kodak NOV 63" and "Kodachrome IIA" are present on the edge of the processed film; "notching" was present on the edges of the processed film in various locations. These notches

			the three unique numbers expected to be found based on the 11/22/63 Kodak affidavits		(sometimes called timing notches or grading notches) are indications that this film was used as a master for subsequent copies.
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200.436	Time-Life copy 1 (1st generation copy)	1 MPPSK(P) 8mm	No: Kodak affidavit executed 11/22/63 called for one of these three numbers to be perforated in the leader:	No	The words "Safety Film 71" are present on the edge of the processed film. This copy appears very faded and "washed-out" in comparison with the Secret Service copies.

			0185, 0186, or 0187		
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200.436	Time-Life copy 2 (2nd generation copy)	1 MPPSK(P) 8mm	N/A	No	The words "Zapruder Original Film" and "ORG" are optically printed on the leader. The hand-written "Zapruder Original Film" was not seen on the leader of the original film, yet is optically printed on the leader for this copy; the hand-written word "ORG" was seen on the leader of the original film. This copy appears to be inferior in quality to Time-Life copy 1 (as would be expected).