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Mr. Norman Mailer
_ Jason Epstein
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Dear Mr. Mailer:

The Assassination Records Review Board is an independent federal agency established by Congress in 1992. I am enclosing some information that explains our mandate and will introduce you to the work of the Board.

We have just returned from a visit to Minsk and Moscow in search of access to records relating to Lee Harvey Oswald as well as to the Soviet reaction to the assassination of President Kennedy.

Although we knew that we would be traveling in your footsteps, it has become clear that we should sit down with you to compare notes and benefit from your experience in researching *Oswald's Tale*.

We would very much appreciate the opportunity of spending a few hours with you at a time and place of your choosing. Please let me know if this would be possible.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Marwell
Executive Director