

December 4, 1995

Mr. William Johnson
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Dear Will:

I would like to thank you again for the courtesy you and others at the JFK Library extended to me on my recent visit. I tried reaching you today, but was unsuccessful. I tried leaving a lengthy message, but that was apparently unsuccessful. I will be away for a few days, and I wanted to make sure that the enclosed documents were sent before my departure.

I have raised the issue of an expedited declassification of CIA records with the Review Board and some officials at the Agency. The reaction from the Board was very positive, and the tentative reaction from some officials at the Agency was encouraging, although no decisions have been made. I hope to be coming with a representative from the Agency to determine whether there are any methods that we can undertake to facilitate the process.

With regard to some JFK Library Collections, I am following your request that we send request forms to you to be forwarded to the donors. I am enclosing thirty-eight such forms for collections that we would like to examine. To the extent that the collections are open in full, there obviously will be no need to contact the donors. If you have a specific basis for seeking further information from us regarding some particular collections, or if you have reason to believe that there are no assassination records within the collections, please let me know and we will reconsider the appropriateness of our requesting access at the present time.

In addition to the above-mentioned collections, I would appreciate your letting me know whether you are in a position to lend to us (either directly or through the National Archives) the microfilm collections of government agencies, particularly the Department of Justice. It would be far less expensive for us to review the microfilm

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here in Washington than in Boston -- and I hope that some such arrangement can be made.

It was a pleasure meeting with you and I look forward to working with you during the upcoming months.

Sincerely yours,

T. Jeremy Gunn
General Counsel

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