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Mrs. Carol A. Roberts  
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Dear Mrs. Roberts:

Dave Montague of our staff told me that he spoke to you briefly about the work that we are doing. He also said that you confirmed to him that you are the Carol A. Bonito who worked at the Naval Photographic Center in 1963.

I am following up on your request for more information by enclosing some basic material about our agency. In brief, we are an independent Federal agency created by The President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992, 44 U.S.C. § 2107 (Supp. V 1994). The JFK Act established the Assassination Records Review Board for the purpose of collecting all available information on the Kennedy assassination and sending it to the National Archives where it will be available for the American people to examine. The members of the Review Board were appointed by President Clinton and were confirmed by the U.S. Senate. Our mission is to help remove the veil of secrecy that has surrounded the assassination for many years. During the past two years we have been declassifying records from the CIA, FBI, Secret Service, Department of Defense, and many other government agencies.

As a part of our efforts, we also have been collecting information related to the autopsy of President Kennedy. I personally have interviewed the autopsy physicians, Doctors Humes, Boswell, and Finck. We have also spoken with many other persons who were involved in the autopsy, including photographers and others. All Federal agencies have cooperated with us in our work and have made their present and former personnel available for us to interview. There is no longer any secrecy order in effect that would prevent people from providing full and truthful statements about what they observed in conjunction with the events surrounding the assassination.

As a part of our efforts, we would very much like to speak to you about your work at NPC in 1963.

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I will be calling you shortly to see if we can arrange for a mutually convenient time to have a discussion by telephone. Please do not hesitate to call me if you have any questions. In advance, I would like to thank you for your willingness to talk with us.

Sincerely,

Dr. T. Jeremy Gunn  
General Counsel and  
Associate Director for Research and Analysis

cc: Mr. Dave Montague

Enclosures