

May 24, 1995

Honorable Robert E. Rubin
Secretary of the Treasury
Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20220

Re: Department of the Treasury Compliance with the
JFK Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. Sect. 2107

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am writing to obtain information regarding the Department of Treasury's compliance with The President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act ("the JFK Act").¹

The JFK Act required all agencies of the Federal Government to deliver to the National Archives, by August, 1993, all of their agency's records related to the assassination of President Kennedy. Unfortunately, our information shows that the Department of Treasury has, as of yet, delivered *no* records to the Archives.²

Although we are not yet in a position to know with certainty what records Treasury has, it would seem likely that it would have assassination-related records inasmuch as the Secret Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, the Internal Revenue Service, and the U.S. Customs Service, all report to the Secretary. Furthermore, it would seem unlikely that Treasury had no records related to the Warren Commission (the Secret Service Report on the assassination was, for example, sent to the Warren Commission by Secretary C. Douglas Dillon). Other obvious records would include correspondence with the House Select Committee on Assassinations and documents related to former Secretary of the Treasury John Connolly's request, while serving as Secretary, to examine all records related to the assassination.

¹44 U.S.C. Sect. 2107. The JFK Act was amended by the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Extension Act of 1994. I am enclosing a copy of the JFK Act as well as the definition of "assassination record" promulgated by the Assassination Records Review Board.

²In a July 14, 1994 letter to William Joyce of the Assassination Records Review Board, Mr. Stephen N. Bryant, Assistant Director, Office of Information Resources Management at Treasury, suggested that Treasury had few, if any records.

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In order to ensure that Treasury complies with the JFK Act, I would very much appreciate your designating a responsible official at Treasury who will have your authority to conduct a comprehensive search for all assassination records and who will be able to provide liaison with our office. I am enclosing a form for your designee to send to our office.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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Executive Director

cc: Hon. Edward Knight,
General Counsel

Enclosures

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