

FBI

HSCA Review

Meeting with JFK Task Force March 5, 1997

1. No more word by word redactions. Replaced by bulks of files.

No more requests for evidence on mortality of informants

2. Information not as close to nexus of the assassination: defining boundaries

3. Faster review implemented by negotiation on the following:

informants:

redacting entire symbol number: use pattern from core files

information reveals source: give FBI 10 years

true names: give FBI 10 years

on how technique is placed: 2017

no information relevant to assassination: 2017

foreign counterintelligence:

our precedents with core and related files

type of surveillance:

our precedents with core and related files

fewer duplicates: ARRB less likely to find other open material

3. Basis for negotiation

give FBI time frame for release short of 2017 on informants

if information is directly about the assassination: FBI criteria

JFK Act starts with assumption of release: if FBI wants to protect certain groups,
what criteria does ARRB need?

4. Careful about what will be left for 2017. What needs to be released before 2017?