

September 4, 1997

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United States Secret Service  
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Re: Request for Information (SS-18): Files and Records on Organized Crime

Dear Jane:

This letter constitutes our eighteenth formal request for additional information and records under the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992, 44 U.S.C. § 2107 (Supp. V 1994).

I am writing to ask that you make available for our inspection the files and records identified below on organized crime figures. I am including two sources that suggest the existence of Secret Service records on organized crime. One is a page describing Box 6 (Protection [Historical Vault]) from the OPO-85-0001 inventory. Item number 16 (file no. 601.0), Special Subjects of Research, dated October 30, 1962, refers to "Info on Various members of Organized Crime." We ask that you make the material listed in item 16 available to us.

The second source is a nomination letter for SA Charles C. Carnes for the Federal Paperwork Management Award. This document summarizes information compiled by SA Carnes on organized crime. The second page of this nomination refers to several specific documents, which we ask you to provide as follows:

1. The list of 39 names forwarded to the Secret Service by the Department of Justice on March 9, 1961, as well as the 18 page report prepared by SA Carnes in response to this list.
2. The list forwarded to the Secret Service by the Department of Justice on December 1, 1961, along with the 187 page summary report SA Carnes prepared in response to this list.

3. The 87 page summary report prepared by SA Carnes later in 1962, on 347 Organized Crime subjects.
4. All additional lists totaling approximately 3,000 names as well as Secret Service documentation prepared in response to Department of Justice requests.
5. The records of the Special Investigations and Security Division, which we understand was the coordinating unit for Organized Crime activities at the Secret Service around the time of the Kennedy assassination. Please supply all records from this Division (and its predecessors, if any) for the 1958-1968 time frame.

In addition, we ask that you check your records for files on the following individuals and that you make the results of your search available to us.

--James Hoffa

--Sam Giancana

--Edward Grady Partin

--Fred Otash

--Judith Campbell Exner

--Dominick Bartone

--Joseph Campisi

--Paul Roland Jones

--Russell Douglas Matthews

--John Roselli

--Norman Rothman

--Santos Trafficante

By making this request, we are not designating these materials "assassination records." To the extent that this request presents logistical or other difficulties that we may not have anticipated, or to the

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extent that these records may be located in the National Archives at a place other than the JFK Collection, we will be happy to discuss with you ways in which the request might be amended.

We ask that you make these records available no later than October 3, 1997.

We appreciate your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Marwell  
Executive Director

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Donald Personette