

September 4, 1997

Ms. Jane E. Vezeris  
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Office of Administration  
United States Secret Service  
1800 G Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20223

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

Dear Ms. Vezeris:

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). We request that you make available for our inspection the following records and information related to organized crime matters:

1. Folder entitled "Special Subjects of Research." The folder is identified as item no. 16, File no. 601.0, dated 10/30/62, on a document (copy enclosed) entitled "Protection (Historical Vault) Box 6," which we understand comes from the OPO-85-0001 inventory.
2. Several documents identified on page 2 of a document (copy enclosed) entitled "Nomination of Special Agent Charles C. Carnes for the Federal Paperwork Management Award." (The document follows a transmission letter from James J. Rowley to Amon N. Latham, dated June 11, 1968.) The specific documents requested are:
  - a. "Info on Various members of Organized Crime," an 18 page report dated March 9, 1961 and a list of 39 names.
  - b. 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.

- c. The 87 page summary report prepared by SA Carnes later in 1962, on 347 Organized Crime subjects.
  - d. Additional lists totaling approximately 3,000 names as well as Secret Service documentation prepared in response to Department of Justice requests.
3. Please identify the location of 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. To the extent that you have any inventories or descriptions of such records, please make them available.
  4. 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 Riddle Hoffa

--Sam Giancana

--Edward Grady Partin

--Fred Otash

--Judith Campbell Exner

--Dominick Bartone

--Joseph Campisi

--Paul Roland Jones

--Russell Douglas Matthews

--John Rosselli

--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,

T. Jeremy Gunn  
General Counsel

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Donald Personette