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Subject: Visit to Archives I

I went with the intention of locating all the charge-out cards for documents that the USSS has not returned to Legislative Archives or given to ARRB. Kris Wilhelm located the documents that are not in our possession and not on the November 9, 1995 list provided to ARRB by USSS. She removed the charge-out designation and wrote OPEN on the RIF for each document in this category. This means that as far as she is concerned, all USSS materials are OPEN except for those on the November 9 list that were not opened by the Board's votes on November 14, 1995.

Kris expressed her disappointment at not being in the loop as far as correspondence between USSS and ARRB goes. She wanted to be notified when ARRB makes a decision on HSCA documents. I have asked Noelle to send Kris a blind copy of our notifications of Board determinations. I gave Kris copies of the USSS November 9, 1995 letter to ARRB, our letter to John Machado of November 29, 1995, and the list sent to Director Bowron on November 28, 1995.

On December 5, 1995, Joe Freeman reported that Kris was on the telephone complaining to Steve Tilley about not being aware of what's going on with HSCA records. She wants to be in the loop. I told Joe that some of this stems from the series of letters passing back and forth between ARRB and USSS--mainly due to USSS refusal to use RIF numbers as well as USSS confusion about its own records. She was concerned that ARRB was only notifying USSS of its determinations when, in fact, ARRB notifies the Congressmen on the oversight committee. Kris has told me that Congress leaves the HSCA records to her discretion. Members of the House oversight committee do not interfere with her releases. Joe now knows that I have asked Noelle to send Kris a blind copy of Board determinations as we announce them in the *Federal Register*.