

January 14, 1997

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Re: US Secret Service Letter of December 20, 1996: Protective Surveys

Dear Jane:

I have your letter of December 20, 1996, regarding postponements in 12 protective survey reports, and responding to my letter of October 21, 1996. I am writing to draw your attention to several open documents containing information that you wish to postpone and to respond to other issues raised in your letter.

Some of the information for which you seek postponement has already been reviewed and opened in the HSCA collection. For example, the protective survey report dated April 18, 1963, describing President Kennedy's proposed trip to Boston College on April 20, 1963, contains a name of an individual that was released in two different documents: 180-10089-10268 and 180-10118-10032. That individual's name also appears in the supplemental protective survey report of April 26, 1963, which you enclosed with the December 20, 1996 letter.

Similarly, the name you seek to postpone in the October 21, 1963 supplemental survey report describing President Kennedy's trip to Milford, Pennsylvania [Pinchot Institute] on September 24, 1963, is already open to researchers in 180-10089-10261. That individual's Social Security Number will be postponed by the Review Board.

Also open are both names appearing on page 5 of the protective survey report describing President Kennedy's trip to New York City on September 20, 1963. In his letter of April 5, 1978, to Robert Goff, Robert Blakey listed these two individuals. Blakey's letter appears in the HSCA-Secret Service correspondence [180-10125-10002], which is open. The name noted at the bottom of page 5 of the September 20 protective survey also appears on a list, which is open, in 180-10118-10032.

The individual named on page 2 of the supplemental survey report describing President Kennedy's visit to Los Angeles, June 7 and 8, 1963, is open in two places: 180-10118-10032 and 180-10125-10002. The last number refers to the open HSCA-USSS correspondence (letter dated April 5, 1978), which also includes this individual's PI file number. This individual and another person named on page 7 of the Los Angeles

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survey dated June 4, 1963, also appear in the same two open sources: 180-10118-10032 and 180-10125-10002.

In the June 1, 1963 protective survey report describing President Kennedy's visit to Colorado Springs, one individual is named on page 6. This person's name is open in the following two sources: 180-10125-10002 (letter dated April 5, 1978) and 180-10118-10032.

The first individual named in the PRS section of page 10 of the protective survey report describing President Kennedy's trip to New York City on May 23, 1963, is similarly identified in an open FBI document: 97-74-1 (New Orleans FPCC).

In your December 20, 1996 letter, you indicated that you had referred the survey reports for President Kennedy's trip to Costa Rica (March 18, 1963) to the CIA. We ask that you review the following open records before making any referral since the information you identified as "third agency" material may already be available to the public:

180-10085-10151; 180-10085-10152; 180-10085-10153; 180-10085-10154; and  
180-10085-10155.

Since several of the names for which you seek postponement are already open in documents at NARA, we are asking if you wish to withdraw your requests. If so, please notify us by January 27, 1997.

On pages 3 and 4 of your December 20, 1996 letter, you offer an account of your knowledge of the missing file ("602.111-Other Places Folder #6-July-Nov 1963"). We have determined that this file was not made available to Jeremy Gunn when he first requested access to your records at the Federal Records Center in January, 1995. In keeping with the intention of the JFK Act to offer to the public the most complete record of the disposition of documents pertaining to the assassination of President Kennedy, we ask that you present an explanation of your policy for access to US Secret Service records held at the Federal Records Center between August, 1974 and February, 1995. Please describe who had access to these records, under what circumstances they could be viewed or photocopied, and where chargeout cards for these materials are kept. If you undertook to locate the names of individuals who saw these files between 1974 and 1995, what steps could you take to identify them?

Finally, your December 20, 1996 letter notes that you were unable to find files from 1961 that reflected Robert Blakey's requests. I am enclosing copies of Blakey's correspondence with Robert Goff, which specified his requests. We request that you examine the 1961 protective survey folders again and locate the survey report (or any other type of threat report) that is responsive to Blakey's

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letter. A portion of the report documenting President Kennedy's visit to the Pan American Building in 1961, appeared in HSCA documents that you have already reviewed. See ARRB letter to Jane Vezeris dated September 17, 1996, and your response of November 26, 1996. The supplemental survey report was dated April 14, 1961, and the RIF number is 180-10108-10017. I have enclosed this report with this letter. We ask that you locate and review the protective survey report dated April 12, 1961, which is referenced in the supplemental report.

We ask that you respond to the issues pertaining to 1961 trip reports raised in the Blakey-Goff correspondence by February 5, 1997, and that you offer further information pertaining to the missing file by February 7, 1997.

If you have any questions regarding these matters, please call me.

Sincerely yours,

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