

April 12, 1996

Ms. Jane E. Vezeris
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United States Secret Service
1800 G Street, N.W.
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Re: Request for Additional Information and Records No. SS-2 and USSS Reply

Dear Jane:

I am writing to follow up our Request for Additional Information No. SS-2 (Photographs and Tapes). We have received a reply from John Machado dated March 15, 1996.

Our request specifically referenced "any recording (and/or transcript of a recording) of Secret Service or military communications created on tape (or any other recording device) of the Dallas motorcade." In his response, John Machado stated that "much of what you requested should be in the Official Case File...at College Park." After receiving this response, we carefully reviewed the Official Case File at the Archives, and we did not locate such a tape of the motorcade. I am enclosing a copy of a letter from Les Waffan at NARA, which states that he was unable to locate any tape of the doctors' news conference at Parkland Hospital on November 22, 1963, nor was he able to find any tape recordings of the WHCA transmissions from the Dallas motorcade.

I am enclosing an excerpt from SA Winston Lawson's Final Survey Report of President Kennedy's trip to Dallas. On pages 9 and 10, Lawson described communications in the "Charlie Net," which included the Presidential limosine, the White House Communications Agency car, and AF #1 and AF #2. These are additional examples of the type of materials that we are specifically requesting that you provide us.

As further examples, we seek any messages brought to the Presidential party from the Communications Center at the Sheraton-Dallas Hotel by White House Communications Agency personnel.

Finally, to the extent that you are not able to provide us with the requested material, we ask that you provide us thorough documentation of your search for this material that includes, but is not limited to, names of individuals you have contacted in your search, offices where you have searched, and the locations of records where this information is kept. We presume that you should be able to establish a paper trail that begins with the individuals who set up the "Charlie Net" on November 22, 1963, and monitored transmissions. Specify which persons were responsible for keeping these tapes and where they were deposited.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this request.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Marwell
Executive Director

cc: Donald Personette