

DRAFT LETTER PROPOSALS

A. Overall Suggestions

1. Ask USSS if I can go out to Center Point and Suitland(?) To survey what they already have.
2. Make determinations as to what we have and haven't formally requested?
3. Discuss which records should be reviewed by the Board at the next scheduled meeting.
4. Determine when was the last time the Board acted on USSS issues.
5. Notify appropriate personnel that I have a file ready for Board Action.

B. Body of Letter Itself

1. Need to change first paragraph
2. Need to cross reference what we say has already been acted upon
(i.e. - review "Attachments.")

C. SS No. 1 (Files of Chief Rowley)

1. Our request was to inspect files from 1963 - 1964. We may wish to
Inspect files from 1961 - 1965.
2. We must have an accounting regarding where and how the to-date
Records were located and retrieved.
3. Please determine whether any of these files were destroyed. Please
Also determine whether anyone knows if Rowley took the files with
him upon his retirement (reference appropriate cite). Maybe there was a clerk;
secretary or administrative assistant who would have recalled what happened. Further, maybe
predecessor would have recalled what happened.
 - 3a. What other records were associated with the Chief's office during that era? What filing
system was used? If no central file, was there a list of all files under his control?
 - 3b. Any documentation relating to investigation of drinking incident?

4. We need to tell USSS about Joan's conversation with Mrs. Rowley. Is there a videotape? When did this occur? Why did it occur? At whose direction? Where is the videotape? What file is it in?

5. For us - we may wish to interview Mrs. Rowley and to schedule an interview with her, and to go out and look through the remaining two trunks which are presently at Mrs. Rowley's daughter's house.

6. Compliance letter of April 1997 references the "Secret Service Archivist" Who is this and do we want to depose this person?

D. SS-2 PHOTOGRAPHS AND TAPES

1. Have they documented that they checked everywhere for these materials? They need to document what they did in order to search for these materials.

2. They need to explain where they located the eight photographs?
Were they obtained from a central file? A specific file that we're not aware of yet?

E. SS-3 Unusual Incidents 1960, 1963-66; Richard Nagell

1. For my edification, where are the 1961-1962?

2. Re Richard Nagell - we need to verify that they in fact have placed that file into the NARA collection (since apparently all business is complete).

3. * NOTE - Compliance letter of April, 1997 addresses this issue, but again does not explain where they retrieved these photos from.

4. Need to obtain letter request number for purposes of cite.

F. SS-4 (Protective Survey Reports; USSS ARCHIVE MATERIALS; News Clips.

1. The Record: We need to resolve this issue.

2. We need to resolve whether PSR's from Jan 1961 - March 1963 should Be designated as assassination records.
3. Re Request to inspect archived materials?
 - A. What are we talking about here? We need to determine Which ones we have already inspected from the archived list.
4. Life Magazine Article - what's up with this?
5. Is the News clipping issue resolved?
(See letter from Marwell on Feb. 11, 1997)

G. SS - 5 (Files re Kellerman and Tucker)

- They must indicate their efforts to inspect and the fact that there Are no assassination records in their Final Compliance Report.

H. SS - 6 (Cross-Referenced files from JFK File) ? We say LHO file?

1. I might need to look at these numbers again and find out
If there's any way of Identifying them in spite of the fact
That the USSS filing system does not provide clear answers.
2. Re: 127-CO2-0073684

- Machado says that this file was referred to FBI. Have we verified that FBI returned this material and we have seen it?

3. Otherwise, USSS needs to verify that the other hard files were Destroyed (verification under oath).

I. SS-7 (Interviews and investigative reports on various individuals)

- Joan didn't think that A. Bolden file was complete at the archives.
- Verify that this is the case. Call Joan and ask her why.
- If required - go out and look at the materials.

J. SS-8 (Personnel and internal review files)

1. Have we included everyone we need to include?
 - All other agents who had a sign. Role?
2. We need to physically inspect the James Fox file
 - Why?
 - What has been done thus far?
3. In the event we are satisfied with what they've provided, we
Need to make sure they state in their Final Compliance Report
That they've checked all these files.

K. SS-9 (Letters of Understanding; Protective Research Packet;
PRS-WHD Notes; and COS records.)

1. We need to straighten out the COS issue. Cite them to the
Materials they provided at the July 31, 1997 meeting. Refers to
"S" materials and then to "CO" materials. An amalgam? Misunderstanding
on the part of Martineau?
2. If no resolution, they need to affirm this and to state what
They did in order to look for these records.
3. Memorandum of Understanding -
 - Check Stuart Knight's briefing book and see what's in there?
 - Re-read para. 1 of Jane V's June 16, 1997 responsive letter.
If I understand her correctly - her analysis falls short. There
Were written agreements during that era. (Double check this).
4. Ron asks for PRS material on the White House Detail for November, 1963.
We need to cross-check this and make sure we haven't already requested and received this.

L. SS-10 Materials on Individuals Requested by HSCA per March 1, 1978 letter
From Blakely to Goff.

1. Do these individuals correspond to the Eileen Dineen requests?

2. NOTE: Ron is unsure whether response is complete.
3. Please make available the files requested by the HSCA.

NOTE: Were these files ever provided to HSCA ?

How can we answer this?

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M. SS-11 Files of Robert Bouck

1. Should we attempt to interview him?

2. Have some of these Bouck materials already been sent?
(Per Ron)

N. Re Filing System - reference the letter which refers to various different field offices by number.
I.e. Office 4-6; office 3-17. Perhaps there is a filing system which we don't yet know about.

O. SS-13 - (Request for information on individuals)

- Not the same as SS-10.

- References Blakely's letter to Goff of March 28, 1978. Also references Glenn Bennett's memo of March 31, 1978 and Goff's responding memo of April 7, 1978 regarding the fact that they located four of the individuals plus eight groups.

- Also, we ask that they search their records for several other persons. (29 more individuals)

- NOTE: I need to locate the referenced memos

P. SS-14 Secret Service Correspondence with Congressional and Presidential Committees.

- Primarily wanting documents pertaining to SS counsel.

Q. SS-15 Requests files on several individuals

- My notes say look at SA Grant's report regarding aborted Chicago visit?

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R. SS-16 Log Books

- Responses inadequate

- Do any of these documents still exist?

- The explanation of the whereabouts of these documents (based on an unintelligible numbering system) is inadequate.

- Provide inventory of all log books

- Provide names of clerks and administrative personnel

- Provide lists of all log books

- We need to see actual log books.

- Although we have abstracts on the Cuban cases - we need to inspect the original files if they still exist. Apparently, John told Joan that the original files do exist.

- Here - we can either inspect all of them or go through abstracts and inspect certain ones thought to have relevance to the assassination.

S. SS - 17 (Organized Crime)

Do we want to add any names to this?

T. SS-18 Records pertaining to the Anti-Castro activities and Protection Matters and the Communist Party.

- Response not complete.

U. Additional Record Categories that should be accounted for. _

GENERAL CONCERNS

1. Check to make sure the LBJ library issues are resolved (Feb. 5, 1997 letter)
 2. RIF issue taken care of? (January 30, 1997)?
 3. Believe we should interview some SS personnel.
 4. I believe we should ask them for all correspondence or materials generated by CHIEF ROWLEY or BOUCK, or all documents, materials, known to be in their custody.
(See April 30, 1997 compliance letter for my rationale here).
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