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VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL AND HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Bonnie L. Gay
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United States Department of Justice
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Washington, D.C. 20530

Re: Department of Justice Equities in the Records of the Warren Commission
Subject to the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection
Act of 1992, 44 U.S.C. §2107 (Supp. V 1994)

Dear Ms. Gay:

The staff of the John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Review Board has identified a document among the records of the Warren Commission in which your agency has equities. This document, RIF# 179-20003-10003, is enclosed with this correspondence.

The Review Board initially referred this document to Mr. Frank Newett, Associate Director of the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Enforcement Operations, Criminal Division. In November, 1997, Mr. Newett returned this document to the Review Board, and requested that we refer it to the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys. The Review Board is requesting that you review this document so that you can decide whether or not your agency wishes to postpone release of information in the document. Please keep in mind the provisions of the JFK Act which anticipate that information will be withheld from public release only in "the rarest cases" and only pursuant to one of the provisions of Section 6 of the Act.

The Review Board will consider this document at its March 10, 1998 meeting. So that we may adequately prepare our presentation to the Review Board with the benefit of any submission you may wish to make, you must submit evidence or arguments in support of any postponements you choose to assert in writing no later than March 2, 1998. If you do not respond to this letter by the above deadline, we will assume that your agency intends to release in full its equities in the Warren Commission document at issue, and we will recommend that the Review Board vote to release in full your agency's equities in the record.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (202) 724-0088. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Kim A. Herd
Senior Attorney

Enclosure