

# MEMORANDUM

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Executive Director

cc: Tom Samoluk  
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Subject: Potential Requests for Additional Information  
and Informal Requests for Additional Information

## *Potential Requests for Additional Information*

### *Director's Office Files*

The FBI provided us with a list of "Director's Office" Bufile Numbers. The list is 11 pages long. Among the files that might be of interest are:

Associate Director's Office Administrative File	66-19138
Attorney General	62-53438
Attorney General's Briefing	62-116481 (this number created after the assassination)
Criminal Division of DOJ	62-28280
Director's Office Administrative File	66-1855-A
Executive Conference	66-2554
National Security Council	62-85205
Office Memoranda	66-02
Protection of The Attorney General	62-112876 (this number probably created well after RFK was AG)
Threats Against the Attorney General	62-112654 ( <i>see above</i> )
White House	62-48771

Given the relatively high public interest in "Director's Office" files, I would recommend that we request each of the above-referenced files, but limit our request to a specific and limited date scope of 1960-1965, and possibly 1975-1979.

### *President Kennedy's Visit to Tampa*

While reviewing our request for additional information, FBI-29: "Cuban Intelligence Activities in the U.S." and "Cuban Situation," Carrie located a reference to two files: (1) Tampa field office file numbered 62-449, entitled "Visit of President Kennedy" and (2) file number 105-2080,

entitled "Possible anti-Kennedy Demonstrations." As follow-up to FBI-29, we requested access to these two files.

*Information Received by FBI from NSA*

The FBI channelled information it received from NSA into particular HQ files, some of the numbers of which remain classified and have been postponed by the Review Board. Phil hoped that these files would contain post-assassination documents that we thought we might find, but did not find, in the NSA liaison file. I have asked Kevin to locate the classified file numbers. At Phil's suggestion, I recommend that we make a classified request for additional information for the relevant time period and review the files.

*Organized Crime ELSUR*

The Review Board and the FBI identified a number of letters from the HSCA to the FBI in which the HSCA requested that the Bureau search for ELSUR on organized crime figures. Phil had suggested that we review the letters and consult with Blakey to determine which organized crime figures are worth pursuing. I do not have a sense of the volume of the records, but I would recommend that we review the letters and determine which ELSUR records, if any, we should review.

*Fedora Source File*

As he was leaving, Phil mentioned that the Review Board should request that the FBI provide the HQ and NY field office files. The Fedora source file would be interesting, but I recommend that we wait to write an additional request letter until we know that we will have time to review the records.

*Abraham Bolden*

Joan suggested that we request any FBI files on Abraham Bolden, the Secret Service agent who knew of a threat against JFK in Chicago and warned JFK, thereby causing the cancellation of the Chicago trip. The FBI investigated Bolden with regard to a May, 1964 bribery charge. I am ambivalent about whether we should request this file.

*Quinton Pino Machado*

Joan suggested that we request any FBI files on Machado, who according to the Mary Ferrell database is a former Cuban delegate to United Nations and later Cuban Ambassador to Nicaragua. "Accused of being behind JFK assassination." "Hatchet man for Cuban Embassy in Washington." The HSCA did make a request for any FBI files on Machado. We may want to write an additional request letter concerning Machado.

*Campisi Informant File*

An HSCA Interview Report with a man named Paul McCaghren dated March 16, 1978, states that "Joe Campisi was (and is) an FBI informant." I recommend that we wait to write an additional request letter until we know that we will have time to review the records.

*List of Right-Wing Activists that Hosty was Investigating in November, 1963*

Tom Keith of Tulsa, Oklahoma, called us and asked us to try to locate a list of "about fifty

right-wingers” that Hosty references on page 15 of his book, *Assignment: Oswald*. According to the Hosty book, he immediately compiled a list of “radical right-wingers” when he learned that the President had been shot. Apparently, Hosty shared his list with the DPD. Although the list might be interesting to review if it still exists, I am not sure that we could write a request that would make sense. I would assume that the FBI would look in the Dallas JFK Assassination file (already processed) or the Hosty personnel file (currently being processed).

*Richard Anthony Tullis*

Chris Courtwright of Carbondale, Kansas, wrote to us requesting that we request the FBI’s records on Richard Anthony Tullis -- specifically file numbers 100-100427 and NY 97-1466. Courtwright explained that the FBI interviewed a man named Raymond Carnay on November 25, 1963. Carnay claimed that he met with Oswald (or someone resembling Oswald who may have been using Oswald’s identity) in Dallas in 1961. “Oswald” tried to convince Carnay to cease anti-Castro activities. In the interview, Carnay revealed that “Richard Tullis, Jr.” was well acquainted with Cubans and may be able to furnish additional information on Oswald. According to Courtwright’s letter, the FBI interviewed Tullis on December 5, 1963. Tullis told the Bureau that he did not know Oswald but that he had been in Cuba during the revolution and was “familiar with” Cuban organizations.

*James Riddle Hoffa*

Ron has asked that we request and review the Hoffa main file, HQ 63-5327. The FBI is already processing a number of documents from the Hoffa main file as cross-references and “see” references. The file is approximately 50 main volumes with a number of “EBFs” that raise the total number of volumes to approximately 150. Of the 150 total volumes, the JFK Task Force is holding approximately 35 volumes (and all of the volumes from the relevant time periods) in the Task Force offices for the purpose of removing cross reference and see reference documents as they are processed. We had earlier discussed requesting the Hoffa file for the years 1960-1965. It is my understanding that we could immediately review the 1960-1965 files and look for assassination records, and I believe that Ron started that informal review several months ago.

*Harry Dean*

Dean was an FBI informant of the LA field office in 1962 and 1963, and informed on the activities of the John Birch Society. The HSCA interviewed Dean in 1977. Dean told the HSCA staff that he was present at meetings in which Loran Hall talked about how much he was offered to kill President Kennedy. Dean said that General Walker, Lawrence Howard, and Guy Gabaldon were also present at those meetings. Dean said that the group discussed murdering JFK in Mexico City and then framing a Communist for the murder. Dean claims that he met with an FBI agent (SA Rapp)

***Informal Requests for Additional Information***

*Bureau Informant 100*

Carol is making this file available for our review in the Special File Room.

*Source Files on Solo*

Carol is making these files available for our review.

*Peter Lawford documents from Hoffa file*

Gus Russo contacted us to ask that we request and release documents that appeared in the “Peter Lawford” file in the FBI’s reading room. As you know, we informally requested that the FBI review the records and make a determination as to whether they would (1) be willing to designate the records as assassination records, and (2) process the records immediately. The FBI processed agreed to full release of the records and immediately processed the records and released the records to the Collection.

*John Anthony McVickar*

Michelle requested that we ask the FBI to locate any HQ files it had on a man named John Anthony McVickar, a foreign service officer discharged in 1968.. We informally requested the files and the FBI has made the files available for our review. Michelle will review the records.