

to DAVID.

Weekly Report for Week June 18-June 25

Staff:

Marie Fagnant started on Monday of this week and has already dived into her review of files that the FBI produced in response to our requests for additional information. I am very glad that you decided to wait until she had her Top Secret clearance before she started work. It enabled us to take her to give her a lot of work immediately and she already has assignments that should keep her busy for the next month.

New Process:

The new process is still going along, although, as you know, we continue to grapple with the referral issue.

I have been working on a daily basis with Carol and Debbie to revise the negotiation schedule so that we can work first on those files in which the referrals are already back from the third agencies. Kevin and I are going to meet with Carol, Luann, and Debbie tomorrow morning to finalize the schedule so that our negotiating work for the next three months (including the five weeks that I am away) is organized and ready to go.

I have been working on a letter from us to the third agencies that we can give to Debbie to send out with all of her referrals that would set a deadline by which the third agencies would have to return their decisions on their equities. I hope to have a draft finished this morning.

The Task Force is now printing out an extra set of RIFs for those files that we are negotiating so that we can log directly on the RIF the number of postponements per document and whether the document contains referrals, foreign government information, or grand jury material. Once we have this information on the RIF, we can bring all of the RIFs back and enter them into fast track, without having to lug all of the files back and forth.

Requests for Additional Information:

The requests for additional information are going great. Sydney is over half finished with his review of the Warren Commission staffer files, which, as you know, was a big job. Manuel has finished his review of Alpha-66 files and will be starting with the other Cuban group files awaiting our review at FBI. I have finally completed my review of BRILAB files and will be writing a memo to you and to Jeremy about getting the assassination records located therein out from under court seal. Yesterday, Marie started her review of the General Walker & Minutemen files and she is catching on extremely fast.

My Vacation

Friday will be my last day in the office until August 4. Kevin is briefed and is ready to carry on FBI activities in my absence. **If you need to reach me in the next two weeks, PLEASE FEEL FREE to call me at my Mom's house in K.C. at (913) 432-1012.** (I'd be happy to go see Jim Hosty again if there is any reason to do so. :-)) We leave for Greece on Monday, July 14, and I'll probably be out of touch there, although we'll leave phone numbers with my Mom if there is an emergency. I also intend to call Kevin every few days during the next two weeks to make sure he can find everything he needs.