

# Assassination Records Review Board

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Re: Status of the Internal Revenue Service's Compliance with the JFK Assassination  
Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107

Dear Mr. Squires:

I am writing in regard to the Internal Revenue Service's compliance with the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107 (JFK Act) (copy enclosed). Under the JFK Act, all Federal Government offices -- including the Internal Revenue Service -- are required to: (a) identify all of their records related to the assassination of President Kennedy, (b) review the records for the purpose of declassifying them under the standards specified in the JFK Act, (c) prepare electronic identification aids, and (d) send the records to the National Archives.

As you know, the Assassination Records Review Board, a panel appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate, is responsible for overseeing Governmental compliance with the JFK Act.

On July 14, 1994, Stephen N. Bryant, Assistant Director, Office of Information Resources Management at Department of Treasury, responded to a letter that Dr. William L. Joyce, a member of the Review Board, directed to you. I am enclosing a copy of Dr. Joyce's letter and Mr. Bryant's response. Mr. Bryant indicated that, as of July 12, 1994, the Internal Revenue Service had located 203 pages of assassination-related material. I appreciate the efforts of the Internal Revenue Service in trying to identify records relating to the assassination of President Kennedy.

On June 28, 1995, the Review Board promulgated in the *Federal Register* a regulation that defines "assassination record" for the purposes of the JFK Act (a copy of this regulation is enclosed). This regulation should help provide guidance to Governmental offices in

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continuing to search for assassination records. Members of our professional staff -- who have received all of the appropriate security clearances -- are also available to assist you and your staff in this process.

For your convenience, I am enclosing our "JFK Records Contacts" form on which you may identify the names, titles, relevant responsibilities, and telephone and fax numbers of all persons at the Internal Revenue Service with whom you would like us to be in contact regarding the Internal Revenue Service's compliance with the law. I am particularly interested in your identifying the person responsible for preparing your electronic identification aids.

On July 10, 1995, members of the Review Board staff met with Connie Drew and Irving Wilson of the Office of Information Resource Management. Ms. Drew and Mr. Wilson advised us to continue to contact your office directly, although Ms. Drew has requested that the Review Board copy her office on all correspondence with the divisions within the Treasury Department.

We look forward to working with the Internal Revenue Service to further the important objectives of the JFK Act. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely yours,

David G. Marwell  
Executive Director

Enclosures

cc: Robert E. Rubin, Secretary of the Treasury  
Jane L. Sullivan, Director, Office of Information Resources Management  
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