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MEMORANDUM

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To: T. Jeremy Gunn

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Subject: Priorities for "Organized Crime" Requests to FBI, DOJ, and (Potentially)
Other Federal Law-Enforcement Agencies

You recently asked me to reflect on what our priorities should be regarding organized crime issues. I suggest that, on this topic, our efforts in locating documents and designating them as assassination records be informed by the following ranking of our highest priorities:

First Priority: Records illuminating Ruby's place (if any) in the organized crime milieu.

This category obviously would include documents relating to Ruby's associations with allegedly "connected" persons. More peripherally, it would include documents relating to how Dallas fit into the regional and national organized crime scene.

Second Priority: Records relating to Carlos Marcello and organized crime in New Orleans.

Third Priority: Records relating to the "CIA/Mafia" plots against Castro and any other connections between organized crime and anti- (or pro-) Castro activities. This category could include documents from the relevant time period relating to the major players in these plots (e.g., Giancana, Roselli, Trafficante), even if they do not discuss the plots themselves. Documents bearing on what, if anything, John or Robert Kennedy knew about these plots would fall squarely in this category.

Obviously, these categories significantly overlap, and their relative ranking is subject to revision in the light of new information.

To some extent, I have based the above ranking on my sense of what is and is not well-documented in the materials already designated assassination records. A logical next step before drafting additional information and records requests would be to canvass the HSCA subject-matter assassination records at the FBI for a firmer grasp of what is already in the pipeline into the JFK Collection.

