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April 27, 1998

Mr. Kent C. Carter
Regional Administrator
National Archives and Records Administration--
Southwest Region
P.O. Box 6216
Fort Worth, Texas 76115-0216

Re: Compliance of National Archives and Records Administration (Southwest Region) with the JFK Assassination Records Collection Act, 44 U.S.C. § 2107

Dear Mr. Carter:

Thank you for arranging to have your staff (Barbara Rust and Meg Hacker) meet with me last week to review efforts by the Southwest Regional office of the National Archives and Records Administration in Fort Worth, Texas ("Southwest NARA") to complete its obligations under the JFK Assassination Records Collection Act ("JFK Act").

Your staff has advised me that all identified assassination records have been transferred to the JFK Collection at NARA in College Park, Maryland.¹ These records were identified in the list that your staff provided to me (*see* Attachment A hereto). This list was very helpful, and we recommend that it be attached to the Final Declaration of Compliance to be submitted by Southwest NARA. In addition, your staff has confirmed that Southwest NARA has no relevant 1963-64 records from the Dallas field offices of the FBI, Secret Service, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms, or the

¹ The only exception is that Southwest NARA still retains various medical equipment from the Parkland Hospital trauma room where President Kennedy was treated. The Review Board does not insist that this equipment be transferred to the JFK Collection at College Park and defers to NARA's decision in that regard. We ask, however, that a record identification form be prepared for this equipment so that its existence and location will be disclosed on the JFK Act computer database.

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Office of Naval Intelligence. Accordingly, we request that Southwest NARA submit to the Review Board, by August 1, 1998, its Final Declaration of Compliance certifying that it has completed its work under the JFK Act. The Final Declaration should be executed under penalty of perjury in the form prescribed by 28 U.S.C. § 1746.²

Thank you for your cooperation, and please feel free to call me if you have any questions regarding the submission of Southwest NARA's Final Declaration of Compliance.

Sincerely

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NARA

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NARA

² The request that the Final Declaration be submitted under oath is one that we have made of all Federal agencies under the JFK Act. To satisfy the requirement of 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the declarant should state at the end of the Final Declaration that "I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Fort Worth, Texas on this __ day of ____ 1998."