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Dear Linda:

I would like to thank you and your colleagues from the Internal Revenue Service for coming to our office to discuss IRS work on matters pertaining to the JFK Act. We believe that the meeting was very positive and productive. We look forward to working with you and others during the upcoming months.

As we discussed in the meeting, the principal issues that we hope to have resolved include:

1. a decision by the IRS regarding the release of Section 6103 information that had been made available to the Warren Commission, the Warren Commission staff, and the National Archives staff;
2. IRS review of Warren Commission records under the JFK Act;
3. a decision on the possibility of Review Board staff having access to Section 6103 information in IRS, SSA, and Warren Commission records in order to help resolve issues related to the assassination;
4. IRS review of FBI referrals; and
5. IRS review of SSA information.

Although a prompt resolution of all of these issues is important, and although most of them can work along parallel lines, we attach particular importance to a favorable resolution of the first issue. It is our understanding that while the IRS is searching for a means to obtain a positive outcome on this

first issue, it is not currently of the opinion that the results will be positive. We would like to work with you in any way that we

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can in order to provide helpful suggestions and information that would lead towards a positive result. We encourage you and others to contact us so that we might engage in a constructive dialogue on this issue.

With respect to the second item, we agreed to provide you with a copy of the published pages from the Warren Commission's exhibits that included IRS records. I am enclosing a photocopy of those pages with this letter. We hope that these pages may be of assistance to you in evaluating the possibility of release of Warren Commission records.

We look forward to action being taken on the remaining issues as soon as is practical.

During the meeting I promised that I would communicate to Chairman Burton the positive results of our meeting. I am including a copy of my letter of today's date to him.

Thank you again for the positive influence you have already demonstrated.

Sincerely,

Dr. T. Jeremy Gunn  
Executive Director

Enclosures