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Dear Mr. Doepfner:

Thank you for your telephone call earlier today regarding the Review Board's request for any assassination related records the New York City Police Department may have. We spoke today about a list of names of organized crime figures that is incorporated in a letter dated June 9, 1978, from Deputy Commissioner Kenneth Conboy to G. Robert Blakey, Chief Counsel and Staff Director to the House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA).

Included with this letter please find a photocopy of the June 9, 1978 letter and list, along with a copy of a letter dated March 6, 1978, from Police Commissioner Robert J. McGuire to Mr. Blakey.

As I mentioned this morning, it appears that the June 9 letter was "referred" to the New York City Police Department by the reviewing staff at the National Archives on March 13, 1995. The purpose of that referral would have been to obtain the permission of the Department to release the June 9 letter and list of names to the public through the John F. Kennedy Records Collection at the National Archives. It is the practice of the Archives staff to request permission from an originating agency (such as the Department) before a document that department originated is released to the public.

I hope this information is helpful. Please feel free to call or write anytime if you have any other questions. My ext. is 229; you are welcome to leave a voice mail message if I am not available when you call. Thank you again for your cooperation and assistance in locating these records and transmitting them to the JFK Collection.

Sincerely,

Anne Buttimer, Esq.
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Enclosures