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ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD VOTES TO RELEASE CIA, FBI, AND HSCA RECORDS

June 4, 1996 Board Meeting Totals

The Assassination Records Review Board voted on June 4, 1996 to release 439 CIA, FBI, and House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) documents, including duplicates, related to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

CIA Records

The Review Board voted to release 228 CIA records, 4 in full and 224 in part. Included in these documents is the "Mexico City Chronology", a 133-paged summary of CIA communications related to Lee Harvey Oswald's trip to Mexico City in the fall of 1963. Other documents relate to Oswald's stay in the Soviet Union, and former New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison's investigation into the assassination. The redacted information includes, for the most part, names of CIA employees and sensitive operational details.

FBI Records

The Board also voted to release 205 FBI records, 37 in full and 168 in part. These documents consist in large part of post-assassination FBI headquarters and field office files on Oswald. The redacted information contains informant symbol names and numbers.

HSCA Documents

The Board voted to release 6 HSCA documents, 3 in full and 3 in part. Included in this group of documents are: a United States Customs Service document from the Metro-Dade Police files, which was acquired by the HSCA, concerning an organized crime meeting in Miami; multiple-year tax returns for Eileen Kaminsky (Jack Ruby's sister); a Department of Defense document that includes a fact sheet on the 112th Intelligence Corps and a fact sheet on the destruction of Oswald's IRR dossier.

Notification to the President and the Agencies

Notification of the Review Board's action on the above documents was sent to the President of the United States and the agencies on June 18, 1996. The President has 30 days to agree or disagree with the Review Board's decisions.

Secret Service Records

As part of the mandate of the Review Board to identify assassination records, the Board designated additional Secret Service records as "assassination records." These records include Secret Service correspondence with members of the Warren Commission in 1964, and the document "Briefing Book: Director's Appearance Before the House Select Committee on Assassinations, December 1978." The Board will now review these documents for inclusion in the JFK Assassination Records Collection.

Other Board-Related Activities

After consultation with the FBI and in compliance with the JFK Act, 82 FBI documents will be available by consent release.