

December 19, 1995

Dr. David W. Mantik
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Dear Dr. Mantik:

In response to your request, I am enclosing a copy of HSCA Record Number 180-10081-10347, a six-page memorandum from Dr. Pierre Finck to Andy Purdy, which is dated February 26, 1978.

The memorandum was written by Dr. Finck in preparation for his testimony before the HSCA Medical Panel. In the memorandum, Finck typed handwritten notes from his diary because his handwriting was difficult to read. The memo includes notes taken by Dr. Finck at a lecture he attended in Brussels given by a Michigan University Professor named Loyd Braithwaite. The title of the lecture was "Organized Crime and the JFK Assassination," and included various allegations about CIA covert operations in Cuba in the early 1960s.

When the National Archives staff was reviewing HSCA files in 1993, this memorandum was mistakenly referred to the CIA based on the subject matter. This was an error since the document was not generated by the CIA nor did the Agency have any "equity" in the information contained in the document.

The Finck memo will soon be sent to the JFK Records Collection at College Park where it will be filed with 134 pages of additional material sent to the HSCA by Dr. Finck. The RIF for these 140 pages, which are all open in full, is enclosed.

Thank you for your assistance and continuing interest in the work of the Review Board.

Sincerely,

David G. Marwell
Executive Director

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