

September 17, 1997

The Honorable John W. Carlin
Archivist of the United States
National Archives and Records Administration
Washington, D.C. 20408

Dear Governor Carlin:

The Assassination Records Review Board Executive Director, David Marwell, has provided me with a copy of a letter he received from Assistant Archivist Michael Kurtz dated August 25, 1997.

While I am happy to reiterate the request made in Dr. Marwell's July 21 letter to Mr. Kurtz, you should understand that the Executive Director is empowered to act for the Board in its dealings with other Federal agencies (see President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992, §8 (a)(4)(A)). Therefore, you should consider Dr. Marwell's letter as an "official action of the Board."

I trust that this letter clears up any confusion concerning the form of our request and I would be happy to discuss its substance at any time.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

John R. Tunheim
Chair