

Memorandum

To: Jack Tunheim
David Marwell

From: Tom Samoluk

Date: February 9, 1995

Re: Proposed Boston Visit; March 22 - 24, 1995

I. Introduction

The Review Board is tentatively scheduled to arrive in Boston on the evening of Wednesday, March 22nd, with business on Thursday, March 23rd and Friday, March 24th. The visit would involve the following main components:

1. Private Tour of JFK Library/Meeting with JFK Library Representative
2. Public Tour of JFK Library (Media invited)
3. Public Meeting/Hearing

II. Specific Schedule Proposals (Option 1 and Option 2)

There are two scheduling options for the trip to Boston. Option 1

now appears to be the most feasible scenario because of the known availability of a facility for a public hearing on Friday morning. We do not have facility for Thursday.

Option 1

Wednesday, March 22

Evening Board Arrives

Note: Depending on media interest, I may ask Jack to arrive earlier in the day on Wednesday for possible advance newspaper and/or radio interviews. Jack may also be able to do the WBZ radio evening talk show sometime between 8 - 10 p.m. (or Thursday evening, depending on station scheduling).

Thursday, March 23

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Board departs hotel for JFK Library

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Thursday, March 23 (cont.)

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Board Meeting with JFK Library
Representative
and Private Review of Documents

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30 - 2:00 p.m. Public Tour of JFK Library (Media advised)

2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Additional Private Review of Documents

5:00 - 5:30 p.m. Travel from JFK Library to Hotel

7:00 p.m. Board and Staff Dinner

Friday, March 24

7:00 - 9:00 a.m. Jack possibly does morning radio interviews

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Board Media Availability at Meeting/Hearing Site

10:00 a.m. - 12:00n Board Public Meeting/Hearing
Note: Tracy has reserved a room at the Thomas "Tip" P. O'Neill Building.

12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Board Lunch

1:30 - 3:00 p.m. Private Board Meeting/Debriefing (if necessary)

3:00 p.m. Board Departs Boston

Option 2

Wednesday, March 22

Evening Board Arrives

Thursday, March 23

7:00 - 9:00 a.m. Jack does morning radio interviews

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. Board Media Availability at Hearing Site

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Thursday, March 23 (Cont.)

10:00 a.m. - 12:00n Board Public Meeting/Hearing

Note: We do not have a location for a public meeting/hearing on Thursday.

We could pursue the use of a room at Harvard.

The advantage of having the hearing at a University is that it would be easier to fill up the room with

people.

12:30 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch Break and Travel to JFK Library

2:00 - 2:30 p.m. Public Tour of JFK Library

2:30 - 5:00 p.m. Private Meeting at Library/Tour of Library

Evening Board and Staff Dinner

Friday, March 24

9:00 - 12:00 a.m. Private Review of Documents at JFK Library
by Board

12:30-1:00 p.m. Travel to Hotel for Board Lunch

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Board Lunch at Hotel

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Private Board Meeting with Staff/Visit Debriefing &
Other Business in Conference Room at Hotel

4:00 p.m. Depart Boston

III. Public Meeting/Hearing Agenda

I suggest that the public meeting/hearing could have the following components:

1. Opening remarks by Jack that include an introduction on what the Board's mandate is under the law.
2. Status report by Jack on what the Board has done to date.

3. Announce final definition guidance with explanation of its purpose and importance.

4. Report from Steve Tilley.

5. Testimony from various witnesses from Boston area, such as:

a. **Ernest May**

Professor of History at Harvard University, where he teaches both in the history department and in the John F. Kennedy School of Government. Upon the invitation of the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, he testified when the Committee was considering the JFK Records Act. Well-respected. Jeremy, Sheryl and Anna know May.

b. **Richard Trask**

Author of the 1994 book Picture of the Pain: Photography and the assassination of President Kennedy. It is an impressive 638 page photographic history of the assassination. Trask lives in Danvers, Massachusetts.

c. **Philip Melanson**

Professor at University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth and author of Spy Saga: Lee Harvey Oswald and U.S. Intelligence, published in 1990.

d. **Dick Russell**

Author of the 1992 book The Man Who Knew Too Much. The book focuses on intelligence agent Richard Case Nagell and his knowledge of the JFK assassination. Russell lives in Boston.

e. *Priscilla McMillan*

Professor of History at Harvard University. Author of *Marina and Lee* (1977). She interviewed Oswald in the Soviet Union on November 16, 1959. The HSCA report addressed critic allegations that McMillan had worked for the CIA. The Committee concluded that she had not worked for the Agency.

f. *Carl Oglesby*

Author of several books on the assassination. He is one of the founders of the Washington-based Assassination Information Bureau. I believe he lives in Cambridge.