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To Members of the Public:

The Assassination Records Review Board believes that public hearings are an important and valuable means to allow for input from members of the public. In addition, The President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 made clear that the Review Board should be open and accessible as it conducts its business. Consistent with the approach the Review Board wanted to take and the clear legislative mandate, the Board held two public hearings during 1994.

This volume includes the record of the public hearing held in Washington, D.C. on October 11, 1994. The topic of the hearing was defining the term "assassination record" and the Board heard from 13 witnesses. The Board also held another public hearing in Dallas, Texas on November 18, 1994, and three public meetings in Washington, D.C. during 1994. The record of the other public hearing and the public meetings are contained in other volumes.

The Review Board will continue to seek to operate in a manner which

*allows for maximum public access and participation in its work. The publication of this and other volumes containing the record of the Board's public work is part of that effort.*

*Sincerely,*

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Chair*