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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

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National Archives and Records Service
Washington, DC 20408



Honorable Barbara Allen Babcock
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Division
Department of Justice
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Ms. Babcock:

Subject: Weisberg v. General Services Administration,
USDC DC, Civil Action No. 77-1831 (formerly
75-1448)

We are in receipt of a copy of a letter of October 11, 1978, from Anthony A. Lapham, General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency, to you. In the letter, Mr. Lapham advises that the CIA no longer (1) requests the continued security classification, or (2) the application of any other Freedom of Information exemption to prevent the disclosure by the National Archives and Records Service (NARS) of a portion of a Warren Commission executive session transcript dated January 21, 1964, and the entirety of another transcript dated June 23, 1964.

Because NARS has based its prior decisions to withhold these materials entirely on the recommendations of the CIA, I have directed the immediate declassification of the subject documents in accordance with the Lapham letter. I also have directed the archivist in charge of these documents to transmit copies of them as quickly as possible to plaintiff in the above-captioned litigation, and to have them available as requested by other researchers and members of the public.

NARS continues to withhold the other transcript at issue in this litigation, dated May 19, 1964, which is not security classified, pursuant to the fifth and sixth exemptions under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5) and (6), respectively).

Sincerely,

JAMES E. O'NEIL
Acting Archivist of the United States

cc:
Anthony A. Lapham
General Counsel, CIA