May 9, 1975

Dr. Marion Johnson National Archives & Records Service Washington, D. C. 20408

Dear Dr. Johnson:

This is to confirm in writing a series of requests which I have made by phone over the last week or 10 days for the following documents and photographs:

- 1. All correspondence which mentions or is in any way related to the spectrographic or neutron activation analyses which were conducted on items of evidence pertaining to the assassination of President Rennedy. This should include any correspondence which discusses or refers to tests which were to have been conducted or which were considered, regardless of whether the tests were ever actually made. This includes, but is not limited to, all correspondence in regard to such tests exchanged between the Warren Commission, the FBI, the Department of Justice, or any scientific consultants. I want copies of all such correspondence, even if it is already printed in the Warren Commission's 26 volumes. I specifically want the two letters of January 7, 1964, from J. Lee Rankin to J. Edgar Hoover and from Dr. Seaborg to Earl Warren which are referred to in the January 10, 1964, letter from J. Edgar Hoover to J. Lee Rankin.
- 2. All copies of any spectrographic or neutron activation analyses, whether of test data, test results, or any reports thereon. Again, I want copies of these regardless of whether or not they are reprinted in the Warren Commission volumes.
- 3. A print and a 4X5 negative of each of the first two photographs which appear in Shaneyfelt Exhibit No. 29.
- 4. A photographic print and negative of the curbstone which appears in Shaneyfelt Exhibit 29, said photograph to be taken at right angles to the curb and bordered by one vertical and one horozontal measuring scale.

Mr. Leahy called late this afternoon to say that arrangements had been made to take this photograph of the curbstone next Wednesday, May 14th. I realize that Mr. Leahy said this was the first available date. However, Mr. Weisberg advises me that he would like to be present and will be in town for a medical appointment at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13th. If at all possible, he would like to have the photograph taken on that day at any time prior to 2:30 p.m. He can be at the Archives as early as 9:00 a.m. and would be willing to pay Mr. Griffin overtime if it is necessary for him to come in early to have the photograph taken at that time.

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I should add that Mr. Weisberg has recently had pneumonia and pleurisy and still remains in a weakened condition, so that it is not advisible for him to make a trip into Washington just for the purpose of being present at the taking of the photograph. So, if there is any way to have the photograph taken on Tuesday so he can be present, we would appreciate it.

Sincerely yours,

Jim Lesar