

JFK assassination records appeal
Referrals (unnecessary)
— Classification 13 years too late
— By dependable 2040

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105-82555

In the accumulation of records I read some time ago is the attached/Not Recorded Serial of 1/28/64, a purely internal FBI memo reporting a meeting with the Warren commission to discuss information on Oswald's activities in foreign countries. I suppose it is the combination of this information, which is just about entirely public, and the classification of the 1964 record in 1977 - by 2040 - that attracted my interest.

One of the many conferences on this subject is dealt with in a Commission staff memo of more than 100 pages. It and many others have long been available at the Archives. So I find myself wondering what it is that 2040 had to protect.

Consulting the original, in 62-109060, 97, is not at all helpful. Except in explaining why the FBI decided to withhold the names of the FOIA analysts after I started specifying improper processing by their names.

According to its attached worksheet, somebody had trouble making up his mind. He decided that total inaccuracy was the safe course. First it was decided, I'm sure correctly, that there would be no withholding and that I would receive all 3 pages. This must have gone against FBI grain because there is "to DCRU any b1?" It doesn't say if or that DCRU ever saw this or found any of the b1 the FBI so dearly loves. Instead that legend is lined through and replaced by "Referral CIA." However, the worksheet still says that I got 3 pages. All three are replaced by the attached referral slip.

The 105-82555 copy discloses no need to refer to CIA. In fact, no basis. The CIA may well agree because I'm still ^{waiting} ~~sitting~~ for it to act on referrals.

2040 apparently believed that there was nothing reasonably segregable in any of the entirely withheld paragraphs. If true this would surprise me

The obliterations include Hoover's notes in some places and the original in his writing where not excised. What he said interests me much. Like lets not be stuffy.