

Dear Jim,

6/26/80

This separately to get your attention.

Yesterday I got another batch of DJ/Criminal Division Kennedy records. I stayed up last night to go over them and I've gone over all. I've marked those of which I want separate copies and if Lil is up to it and it isn't too hot when she is up and about, and she makes copies. I may get to them later today.

Some will be quite valuable in the spectro case remand, I think. They reflect a DJ 1967 view, in response to a letter I wrote Ramsey Clark, that the FBI in fact does have such information and did not provide it to the Commission. There is a less than full Archives letter confirming me and my 11/66 request for it.

Earlier I sent you a copy of records in which the FBI initially agreed to meet the first spectro case and then backed out.

I think it is important to get both of these before Pratt when we begin discovery but I favor holding off until I get all the Criminal records. They may hold out if I don't.

At the very least I now have proof that a number of other components have and withheld JFK records: Civil, Civil Rights, Office of Legal Counsel, AG and DAG, and Executive Office of U.S. Attorneys. (Can't figure the function of EOUSA.) I'll be taking this up with Quin.

Since the case was before Pratt I've accumulated a large file of records for possible use on reman. It will take several days to review them. So I think I'll keep a separate file of things you may want to give Pratt early and be able to get the fast if needed.

On classification, security, etc: Slawson took Commission records with him when he left the Commission, DK records when he left DJ, and was inept enough to lose them at the LA airport. He had several originals. The airport turned them over to the USA, who sent them to Washington, which sent Slawson his cancelled checks, etc.

When Lil makes the copies I'll be writing Buckley and as usual sending a copy to Shea as my appeal. I'll probably amplify that separately to Shea. If you have not been reading my letters to Buckley you should.

The current batch includes more records not provided under PA by either Criminal or other components or the Archives. Nice people. Real law-abiding.

It turns out that my initial request was of 5/21/77, which also happened to be the time I made the NIS request. So do not be confused: the BoD response is to my NIS request, as are the DJ referrals mentioned in it.

I've also gotten another file identification, I think of one not searched in JFK-DJ and under PA. I've learned that DJ has cards on its records, too, and you'll want to note that when you get the copies. They have never said they've searched such indices.

Parts of this morning and tomorrow morning will be taken up with service on the car today and eye checkup tomorrow, with drops.

Hastily,