

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : E. S. Miller

FROM : W. A. Branigan

SUBJECT: WARREN COMMISSION DOCUMENTS  
IN NATIONAL ARCHIVES

1 - Mr. C. W. Bates  
(Arendt)

1 - Mr. E. S. Miller

DATE: 6/19/72

1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan

1 - Mr. H. D. Clough

1 - Mr. F. J. Waldburger

1 - Mr. L. Whitson

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Special Agents Clough, Waldburger, and Whitson have reviewed with representatives of the General Investigative Division numbered documents of the Warren Commission still withheld from public scrutiny and unnumbered documents not previously reviewed by Bureau personnel.

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The unnumbered documents consist of original communications from the Bureau to the Honorable J. Lee Rankin, Counsel for the Commission and Xerox copies of Bureau communications the originals of which in some instances were in the containers holding the unnumbered documents, and others of which related to documents in some other part of the Archives.

RECOMMENDATION:

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1. It is recommended that all Xerox or other copies of Bureau communications in the unnumbered boxes be destroyed since the original documents are the ones listed on the register of correspondence and the "list of basic source materials." Unattached copies cannot be accounted for and only serve to confuse further an already confused situation.

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2. Those numbered documents and excised pages now withheld from the public on the basis of a review by Bureau personnel in the Fall of 1970, should be continued to be withheld, since under the guidelines laid down for the release of material to the public, and which guidelines have not been changed. The next review would not be due until at least 1975.

3. With regard to the unnumbered documents not heretofore reviewed, it is recommended that they be withheld from public scrutiny unless they are original letters of transmittal of documents which are numbered Commission

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documents and which have heretofore been released for public scrutiny. Time and facilities did not permit attempts to match transmittal letters with documents elsewhere in the Archives.

There are attached for the record the rough notes of Special Agents Clough, Waldburger, and Whitson, *Arendt, Hirsch*  
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ACTION:

Refer to Special Agent Arendt, General Investigative Division for correlation.

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