

To Quin Shea from Harold Weisberg, JFK assassination records appeals 6/24/79  
Classification of what is within the public domain  
1978 withholding by the FBI of what the Attorney General disclosed in 1966

In 62-109060-4194 EBF there is a series of records referring to a letter written to the Russian Embassy. Claim of Secret classification is made for what is withheld. This relates to Specimen D-198.

The withholding extends to the description of the letter.

The same FBI, or what I presume is the same FBI, prepared a list of its specimens, exhibits and other records for the Attorney General to include in an executive order promulgated October 31, 1966. As is customary it was published in the Federal Register:

D-198: Photocopy of envelope postmarked "Houston, Tex., 24 Nov 1963 00 PM" bearing hand printed address "Russian Embassy, Washington, D.C." and accompanying hand printed letter beginning "The Man Oswald ..." and ending "... I have the Original."

While everyone knows that all government intercept the mail to embassies of those they do not love and there is no secrecy about it I make no appeal regarding proof that this letter was intercepted and copied before it reached the Russian Embassy.

However, with this added FBI make-work, phoney claim to national security and abuse of the Act and its intent nad of my rights in the withholding of the description I do appeal. If there is a connection with D-197 I also appeal that.

In part to establish the actualities I also appeal the withholding of the relevant records filed in or shifted to "JUNE" files.

Then there is the affirmation regarding the propriety of claims to exemptions in the worksheets. ...

Oh, well.

I'm not taking the time or incurring the cost of providing copies but I can.

I would prefer that the FBI provide its own list of records for the executive order and copies of these records, before and after excisions.