

To Quin Shea from Harold Weisberg, JFK assassination records appeals 6/13/80

Dallas field office records

Not "previously processed"

Injustified "national security" claim

Withholding the public domain -

What the FBI disclosed

What the FBI testified to, published

What the Warren Commission published, exhibits

It looks bad when the FBI made a "previously processed" claim to withhold something like 2500 pages of Dallas records and then did nothing for about two years after my prompt appeal. This time exceeds the claim to backlog and this pertains to 1970 litigation.

It looks much worse when belatedly-provided 100-10461-4967 makes national security claim for what is indicated in the captioning.

Your people might want to compare this withheld and now excised record with what the Commission published as its Exhibit 853.

Before writing you I sought an independent opinion from one who is familiar with what the Commission published. More than CR 853 and including testimony. FBI witnesses were questioned about what is withheld and testified to the answers, which now are withheld, 16 years later under phoney "national security" claims - which would be unnecessary if there was any basis for the assertion of them.

What basis can there possibly be for this current b1 claim for the questions asked by the Warren Commission, which published them? The FBI is not the Commission's successor. The National Archives is and it did not make this initial 1960 claim to classification.

There are unexplained markings on the covering letter, which also is improper.

Moreover, the record as provided bears no classification stamp or authority.

For God's sake, try to keep the bibles away from the FBI or that will get TOP SECRET classification. If they get to Ecclesiastes there will be an enormous manhunt for the preacher on the ground he violated crypto clearance!

?D for Daniel? Do you know how those walls came tumbling down? Horrors!

Think of the subversion in Bethlehem's manger - and head for the hills!