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King and JFK assassination records appeals  
Classification improper; failure to act on request for review under new E.O.  
Withholding the reasonably segregable.

Attached is a Not Recorded serial from the King assassination file, 62-109060, from London Legat dated 11/16/77. While it is not caption<sup>ed</sup> to the King assassination file it is to the Ray escape file, from which no copy was provided to me, and to the JFK assassination. In a departure from the practice I have observed no copy is designated to either Office of Origin, to which, normally, copies are sent.

The record does not appear to be properly classified. No authority for the classification or the partial disclosure is included. In this regard I note that in two years there has not been any action on my request for a review of all classifications in both cases, although both are in court.

None of the content of the obliterated paragraphs is not excused. I believe it is not likely that nothing is reasonably segregable, if there is any basis in the exemptions for the withholding.

A copy was provided to the Congressional Inquiry Unit, which indicates a Congressional interest. At the time that interest would likely have been of the House assassins committee. In and of itself this raises questions of the withholding of what is within the public domain by virtue of publication by this committee. While with the total withholding of the entire text one is left to conjecture about the content, given the record of that committee and of the FBI with it, of planting bad information on it, which is not cont ested in C.A. 75-1996; of the omission of any King assassination captioning or filing notation, when there was a case in court for all King assassination records; and of the <sup>public</sup> use of Scotland Yard information plus the providing of what the FBI knew was false and fabricated information, the matter of Alexander Eist, I question the propriety of the withholding if not also improper motive in it. This was more than 10 years after Ray's escape.