

Dear Mr. Flanders,

2/15/80

Your letter of the 13th, with attached worksheets supposedly accounting for all FBI referrals in the JFK assassination record, came today. I am occupied with a long affidavit so I asked Ms. Rae Barrett, who assists me on a part-time basis to examine my letter of 1/28/80, to which you state you respond, and the status of the referrals.

You do not respond at all to a large part of my request, which deals with such matters as records of the FBI's efforts, if any, to get any action on these referrals of records now more than two years overdue under the Order of the Court in C.A. 77-2155.

With regard to the accounting you provide of the referrals copies of which have not yet been provided to me, it appears that as best Ms. Barrett can make your ~~the~~ incomplete accounting out there are at least 678 referrals of records you have not provided to me. Of these 479 are referrals to the CIA and 132 are referrals to the State Department. Both agencies are long overdue in complying with requests I have made of them.

I can only imagine what the situation would be if the FBI had not boasted so loudly that it was disclosing all and if it were not providing these records under a court order.

It also appears that after records were returned to the FBI by other agencies the FBI decided on total withholding. This makes the initial referral a total waste of time. With regard to such records Ms. Barrett has pointed out to me that you have withheld entire records under claim to (b)(7)(C) and (D) without any attestation that nothing is reasonably segregable.

And there are unexplained entries.

Will you now please respond to my request and indicate when I may expect these 678 or more records?

Sincerely,


Harold Weisberg