

withholding of what W.C. allowed

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**JFK assassination - 2000 reports
Improper withholdings
Inconsistent
Worksheets
Operations abroad
Classification**

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The attached Not Recorded Serial of 9/4/64 from the 62-109090 file was originally classified, was declassified outside the provisions of the E.O. and not in accord with them, was improperly classified and withholds information relating to the improper classification. The ostensible reason for the original classification is the need to protect foreign operations. However, examination of the content discloses that the claimed need to classify is spurious because nothing not within the public domain could have been withheld originally, there being no other content, and to hide this the allegedly classified paragraphs have their identifications removed. What it was pretended had to be protected by "national security" need was disclosed years ago in the records of the Warren Commission and, in fact, the Commission's Report credits and thanks the FBI for it.

Not Recorded Serial of April 9, 1964 is identical with 105-82555-3061, both also attached. Withholdings from them are inconsistent. (There is a third page of the NC version not copied here.) Originally the two versions were classified separately. Comparison of the two versions discloses that what is withheld in the NR copy, on the first page, is "Upon removal of classified material submitted herewith the transmittal letter becomes unclassified." What is withheld on the second pages is "Classified 'Confidential' because one of the enclosures is so classified."

(Even in the Commission records such information is not withheld and hasn't been.)

The classification and alleged declassification are not in accord with the E.O.

On the third page 27 reports and memoranda are listed. Of these one only is claimed to be "Confidential." It is not claimed that as of the time of the processing the record was still classified or that it was ever properly classified.

No exemptions claimed on worksheets.