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Dear Mr. Sneed:

Thank you for your letter of April 9, concerning my requests under the Freedom of Information Act for certain FBI records relating to the assassination of President Kennedy. I do not approve of the continued delay. In particular, I do not agree that the petition for a rehearing of Weisberg v. Department of Justice makes it "necessary" to hold open the previous denial in my case.

I would like to request access to a certain post-assassination FBI record: the cover letter and part (a) of Warren Commission Document 1084. The cover letter, from Mr. Hoover, is dated June 10, 1964. Part (a) is described in the Commission's list of basic source material as an undated memorandum, classified Secret, entitled "Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Dallas, Texas, November 22, 1963."

The other parts of CD 1084 were released in 1970. Part (b) is an undated memorandum, originally classified Secret (but for no apparent good reason), concerning the Ruby case. It was apparently written on or shortly after November 25, 1963, to summarize the evidence available at that time. I expect, therefore, that part (a) is an early summary of the evidence in the assassination case.

As you know, I am particularly interested in the pre-assassination FBI files on Oswald, and the extent to which they were given to the Commission. If CD 1084 relates to that material, it would be of special importance. That possibility is indicated by the description of the cover letter in the Commission's list: "re dossier on Lee Harvey Oswald." However, from the lack of any obvious connection between the available parts of CD 1084, and from their dates and contents, it also appears possible that they were sent to the Commission in response to a request for any post-assassination reports in the FBI "dossier" on Oswald which had not previously been submitted.

I hope that you can at least clear up this question about the nature of this CD, either in your response or by releasing the cover letter.

Sincerely yours,

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