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Gerald McKnight  
5439 Shookstown Rd.  
Frederick, MD 21702

Dear Mr. McKnight:

This is in response to your letter of July 8, requesting information about a letter from John McNaughton to Nicholas Katzenbach dated December 16, 1963.

It is clear from the documentation you have found that this document is among the records of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy (Warren Commission). Unfortunately, most of the records of the Warren Commission are not part of the JFK Assassination Collection database. According to the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act, only those records not open and available at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) as of the passing of the Act had to be documented in the database. Since 98% of the Warren Commission Records were already open and available at NARA, they are not captured on the document level in the database. As such, we need to depend on the series level description provided in the enclosed inventory to locate documents.

Since you were able to provide me with specific information, I looked at records in three series, entries 11, 25 and 26, but could not locate the document you described. It is possible that the document is in another series, however, we do not have the staff resources to examine the series further. We would be happy to make the records available to you in the Textual Research Room here at the National Archives in College Park. I would suggest beginning with the 13 boxes in entry 12, "RECORDS RELATING TO 'INVESTIGATION AND EVIDENCE', 1963-64".

If we can be of further assistance, please contact us. Please note that Ramona Branch Oliver has moved to another job within the National Archives and Records Administration. In order to ensure that your mail is delivered to this office expeditiously, please address all future mail in the following manner: Special Access and FOIA Staff; National Archives at College Park; 8601 Adelphi Road; College Park, MD 10740-6001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Martha Wagner Murphy".

MARTHA WAGNER MURPHY  
Archivist  
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