May 23, 1974

1 - Mr. Mintz

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Dear Mr. Fensterwald:

Reference is made to your letter of May 17th.

As the Spanish version of the Duran statement you have requested is a document of the Mexican authorities, it is felt that the Direction Federal de Seguridad, Mexico City, D. F., is the proper source to which you should direct your request.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Kelley

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General - Enclosure

1 - Bufile 62-115530 (FOI-REPLIES)

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MOTE: On 4-17-74 correspondent requested that original statement of Silvia Tirado de Duran which was taken in Spanish by Captain Fernando Gutierrez Barrios of the Mexican Federal Security Police (DFS) in connection with the Kennedy assassination be made available to him for examination and copying. By communication to the Legat, Mexico City, it was determined that the document was translated by the Legat and the original was returned to DFS. A Xerox copy is in the Legat's files; however, the signature of the subject on several pages is barely discernible and the Legat recommended that in the event a copy is furnished by the Bureau, a clearance should be secured from DFS. By letter of 4-29-74 Fensterwald was advised that the original statement is not in our records and is presumably in the custody of DFS. It was suggested that he contact that agency regarding his request.

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