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Mr. James Rowley
Director
United States Secret Service
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Rowley:

The publication "Resident & Staff Physicians", May 1972 issue contains an article entitled "Observations Based on a Review of the Autopsy Photographs, X-rays and Related Materials of the Late President John F. Kennedy" by John K. Lattimer, M.D., ScD of Columbia University, New York, New York.

Dr. Lattimer notes in his article that some of these historic films have been deliberately destroyed, thus, leaving a less than complete record of this autopsy.

"There was also a roll of 120 film which had been spoiled by unrolling it in the light and a notation that this had been done deliberately by one of the agents present."

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I note that the Warren Report reflects that two agents of the Secret Service attended this autopsy, and further that one of these agents took custody of these films after the post-mortem was completed.

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Am I to assume from Dr. Lattimer's article that either Agent William Robert Greer or Roy H. Kellerman are responsible for this reportedly deliberate destruction of public records?

I would trust that there is a reasonable explanation for this that would not reflect badly on the agents present at this autopsy or on the service itself.

Judging the past history of the Secret Service, I would be greatly surprised to learn that the Secret Service had abused the public trust.

May I hear from you on this matter at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Fred T. Newcomb

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