

Dear Sir,

In 1966 Scarecrow Press published my Subject Index to the Warren Report and the Hearings and Exhibits covering twenty-six volumes of testimony and documentation. David Wrone in his Annotated Bibliography on the assassination of President Kennedy characterized the Subject Index as "absolutely indispensable" and Peter Dale Scott, in his introduction to the 1976 Random House edition of my book Accessories After the Fact (originally published in 1967 by Bobbs Merrill) said that the "Subject Index may someday be remembered as the only index to have altered the history of U.S. politics". Copies of the Subject Index are still being purchased, thirteen years after publication, in xerographic edition by University Microfilms.

In July 1979 the House Select Committee on Assassinations issued a Report and some fifteen supporting volumes of testimony, reports and exhibits, on the Kennedy assassination. Neither the Report nor the supplemental volumes include an index in any form. I have therefore undertaken a project, with assistance from Gary Owens of Huron College, London, Ontario, to compile:

- (1) An index to the Report and to each of the supporting volumes
- (2) A subject master-index giving citations for the entire series of volumes, subject by subject (using as a model the 1966 Subject Index)
- (3) A master-index of names, covering the entire series of volumes.

Such a "Master Index to the Report and Supplemental Volumes of the House Select Committee on Assassinations: The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy" would be an invaluable tool for scholars and libraries and to the community of critics and investigators, who now number in the hundreds, and of course to the U.S. Congress and the Department of Justice, which has been charged with the further investigation of the case.

If your house would be interested in publishing such a master index, I would be glad to discuss the matter with you. If not, I would be grateful to be informed as soon as possible, since the project is nearing completion, so that I may approach other houses with a view to early publication.

Yours sincerely,

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