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To: Vincent Thomas, David Salniker, John Scagliotti

From: Stuart Hutchison

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Subject: Proposal for national broadcast on 25th anniversary
of JFK murder

I propose to produce a 3-hour live national broadcast on Tuesday, 22 November 1988, the 25th anniversary of JFK's death. The subject (& title?) will be "Who Killed John Kennedy—and Why?" I propose this broadcast begin at 2 p.m. New York time and go live to all 5 stations in the Pacifica network, and that we offer it via uplink to all community/non-commercial stations in the U.S. and Canada.

I propose that the purpose, as implied by this working title, will be to sort evidence, separate fact from rumor and myth, and to succeed, if possible, in determining what can be conclusively proved regarding who killed Kennedy and why. To this end, I propose that the structure will be 2 hours of discussion, argument, and Q&A, to be anchored and moderated by me, with the final hour devoted to phone calls from listeners around the country. Given enough budget, I would like to offer a toll-free call via, say, 1-800-KENNEDY, with our solicitation for contributions to meet costs as well as to take questions/concerns from listeners.

I propose that we invite a panel of "experts" on the topic to include, among others, Jim Garrison, David Lifton, Anthony Summers, Emile de Antonio, John Davis. Though unlikely, I want to make an effort to get a member of the Kennedy family also.

Budget: To assure broadcast quality, I propose that we provide for costs to enable those participants (we're unable to bring to New York) to uplink from selected facilities by pre-arrangement (e.g., Garrison in New Orleans, Lifton in Los Angeles; or perhaps it's cheaper to insist all fly to New York; given the length of the broadcast, I think it would be unwise to try to conduct the program with the participants for 3 hours by phone.)

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