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Honorable Richard S. Schweiker United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Schweiker:

March 27, 1972

This is in reply to your letter of March 21, 1972, in behalf of Mr. Edward R. Slemmer concerning records relating to the assassination of President Kennedy.

We have no information concerning Dr. John K. Lattimer's interpretation of the X-rays prepared during the autopsy of President Kennedy except what is stated in the <u>New York Times</u> story to which Mr. Slemmer refers.

The X-rays and photographs taken during the autopsy were turned over to Senator Robert F. Kennedy on April 26, 1965. A memorandum of April 30, 1964, by Arlen Specter, a member of the staff of the Warren Commission, among the records of the Commission indicates that Senator Kennedy, who was the Attorney General at that time, was at least consulted by the Secret Service concerning the question of access to the material before the date of the memorandum. In an interview (U.S. News and World Report, October 10, 1966) Mr. Specter said that he had been shown a photograph which was stated to be a photograph of President Kennedy's back but that the entire set of X-rays and photographs was not available to the Commission.

The laboratory investigative file relating to the spectrographic analysis of the bullet (CE 399) and bullet fragments involved in the assassination of President Kennedy is in the custody of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. We are referring a copy of your letter and its enclosure to the Department of Justice in regard to Mr. Slemmer's question about that file.

We can furnish an electrostatic copy of the memorandum by Arlen Specter for our minimum charge of \$1.00. To order Mr. Slemmer

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