

August 1, 1985

The Honorable
Stephen D. Yslas
President
Los Angeles Police Commission
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150 N. Los Angeles Street
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Dear Mr. President and Members of the Commission:

For seventeen years since the tragic death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy the most important investigation files remain in storage in the Los Angeles Police Department.

Scholars, archivists, journalists, historians and the public have had no access to these files and no guarantee that the files would be preserved.

I share the view of Dr. Henry J. Gwiazda, the Kennedy Library archivist, that the "records of this investigation would have a significant research value and should be preserved in an appropriate archival institution..."

I hope that the Commission will provide access to and preservation of these files providing, of course, all necessary precautions to protect the privacy of innocent individuals.

Yours, very truly,

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