

The Deputy Attorney General

December 23, 1970

Director, FBI

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT -
HAROLD WEISBERG

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Your letter dated December 21, 1970, enclosing a letter from Mr. Harold Weisberg, dated December 7, 1970, has been received. In his letter, Mr. Weisberg refers to a statement reportedly made by former Attorney General Ramsey Clark and requests information concerning any sworn statements furnished by medical experts who reviewed the photographs and X-rays obtained during the autopsy of the late President Kennedy.

It appears that this matter involves a panel review of X-ray and photographic material of the type described above conducted in 1968 on the instructions of former Attorney General Clark. The files of this Bureau contain a copy of a document dated January 16, 1969, captioned "Statement of Burke Marshall," a true copy of which is enclosed for your information. Inasmuch as the material relating to this panel review is apparently contained in the Department's files, this Bureau is unable to make any comment on the statement reportedly made by former Attorney General Clark.

The original of Mr. Weisberg's letter to you is returned herewith for whatever action deemed appropriate by the Department.

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NOTE: Harold Weisberg, a Frederick, Maryland, poultry farmer, has written several books highly critical of the Warren Commission report on the assassination of President Kennedy. He has also been critical of this Bureau. He has a suit pending against the Government for disallowing his claim under the Freedom of Information Act for information concerning the assassination. Weisberg is a former State Department employee who was discharged because of suspicion of his being a communist or having communist sympathies. He was later allowed to resign without prejudice. Weisberg has been the subject of numerous items of correspondence with the Department over his requests for information concerning the assassination. His current letter indicates he is aware of the findings by the Panel Review Board of 1968 concerning studies of X-rays and photographs of the late President Kennedy's body by four medical experts. He has challenged former Attorney General Clark's reported statement regarding sworn statements by medical examiners. It is possible these examiners did furnish sworn statements to the Department. However, limited information in our files does not indicate such statements were under oath. It does not appear we should furnish further comment concerning this matter. A copy of Weisberg's letter is being retained in our files.