

from Hoffman to Miss June Smith, GSA, 4/23/76

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6) The following requests relate to the documents you sent pertaining to the transfer of the autopsy pictures and X-rays.

a. Joyce Nelson's letter of 10/6/66 to Harold F. Reis refers to Mr. Reis' letter of 10/5/66 to Robert Bahmer, the archivist, concerning "Warren Commission-Kennedy materials." I would like a copy of Mr. Reis' letter.

b. The handwritten note dated 10/25/66 from Martin Richman to Burke (Marshall) refers to conversations with Mr. Marshall on the night of 10/24 and the morning of 10/25. It also solicits Mr. Marshall's comments "as soon as possible." If there are any records concerning Mr. Richman's conversations with Mr. Marshall, including any letters or memoranda from Mr. Marshall, I would like copies.

c. Attached to Mr. Reis' letter of Oct. 31, 1966 to Mr. Brewster is a copy of Mr. Marshall's letter of Oct. 29, 1966 to Lawson Knott, the "deed of gift." Page 7 of this "deed of gift" contains no enumeration under "APPENDIX B." Could you tell me why the APPENDIX B materials are not listed and how they later came to be listed? Was page 7 subsequently retyped? When was the full listing added and upon whose authority? Any records you have relating to these matters would be of interest to me.

d. Attached to the carbon copy of a 6-page inventory of the autopsy photos and X rays is what appears to be a carbon copy of a General Services Administration routing slip addressed to "Mr. Byron Harding." It is dated "1-30-69." If you have a copy of the original routing slip, I would like a copy. If not, could you tell me who wrote this slip? The slip refers to "the Burkley and Kennedy letters" that Mr. Harding is "checking with Mr. Richman." Could you tell me why Mr. Harding was "checking" these letters with Mr. Richmond and exactly what was meant by "checking."

e. A Department of Justice routing slip from Martin F. Richman to Marion Johnson dated 7/28/67 was used to transmit a copy of page 7 of Mr. Marshall's letter of 10/29/66 to Mr. Knott. Could you tell me why Mr. Johnson requested a copy of page 7? The slip also refers to a "conversation." If there are any records of this conversation, I would like copies.

f. A routing slip from Byron Harding to Dr. James F. Rhoads dated 1/4/68 transmitted a copy of the 10/29/66 deed of gift. It refers to Dr. Rhoads' "request." If this was a written request, I would appreciate a copy. If not written, I would like copies of any records relating to it. I would also like to know why this request was made.

7) I would like a copy of the "letter of gift" dated approximately April 25, 1965 and signed by certain members of the Kennedy family. I would also like copies of all documents relating to this letter.

This completes my current request. I appreciate all of your most helpful efforts.

Sincerely,

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ADDENDUM: I have an additional question respecting the documents you sent relating to the 1965 and 1966 transfers of the autopsy pictures and X-rays. Could you tell me if these documents were ever classified or withheld from researchers, and, if so, on what grounds and their date of declassification?