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MEMORANDUM

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HEAD + NO SMALL
HOLES IN HEAD PS

TO: Ken Klein
FROM: Jim Kelly and Andy Purdy
DATE: August 29, 1977
RE: Interview with Roy Kellerman, 8/24/77 and 8/25/77,
Holiday Inn North, St. Petersburg, Florida.

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Mr. Kellerman was interviewed because of his participation in the autopsy of President Kennedy.

On the flight from Dallas to Andrews Air Force Base, Mr. Kellerman heard Burkley and Clifton arranging contacts for the autopsy. Kellerman heard that the choice was between Walter Reed and Bethesda and heard them announce that the autopsy would be at the Naval hospital in Bethesda. Prior to landing at Andrews, Kellerman was told by Mr. Behn of the Secret Service that he should stay with the body. Just before the plane was to land, Agent Greer came to the front of the plane and told Mr. Kellerman that Mrs. Kennedy wanted the Secret Service people who had been with the President in the car to help

Finck told him that "...we share knowledge... ."

Mr. Kellerman recalls that at least one X-ray negative was displayed in the autopsy room, as the doctors were trying to determine if they could find any bullet fragments. Kellerman said that the X-ray was of the head and showed a "...whole mass of stars, the only large piece being behind the eye which was given to the FBI agents when it was removed."

Kellerman was asked to what extent he knew the nature of the President's wounds from his observations in Parkland Hospital. Kellerman said "I went into the emergency room where the body was. The face was unmarked... I saw no blood in the neck...the shirt and tie were still on." Kellerman said he never noticed the wound in the throat at Parkland and he didn't see the tracheotomy after he was in the emergency room. He said he just took one look. Kellerman said that when he and Hill helped to move the body, Kellerman held the legs and Hill held the shoulders and head area. Kellerman said he "...never had

at the morgue; he said he "...knew the throat had been opened for oxygen." Kellerman said the doctors had "...no problem with the organs." He heard a young corpsman who was examining the organs say "...they are very clean and clear."

Kellerman does not recall the doctors lifting the brain out of the head and only recalls one large hole in the head and no small holes in the head. He knew that Hill said there was a hole in the tie but he didn't see it.

Kellerman recalls Dr. Finck probing the wound about 4 - 5 inches as he was trying to "...get the probe to come out... ." Kellerman said the doctor didn't probe the wound with his finger first, saying it was "not that big."

Though he had had the discussion with Boring about the skull fragments, he does not recall them attempting to fit them in. In fact, he only remembers one skull fragmen