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JFK assassination records against searches- files not searched and special files
books and their authors - against special files on

I have already informed you of places and files not searched, of where the FBI has what it refers to as its "library" of special-interest literature, and of its steadfast refusal to search such other files, particularly in the King case, where I have an item relating to authors of books.

Attached is 62-40968-7310. The third paragraph of the airtel that is part of this Serial is another proof of the proposition of "reviews" and of their withholding in all my names and under all my requests. The book 'The Man Behind the Case' has been reviewed at FBIHQ. It is a ... The review is provided in these records.

In the past - have called the possibility of the existence of a special file 62-40968 to your attention, on at least one occasion mentioning it is was an uncorrected typographical error. It now appears not to be and to be relevant, perhaps as a special file relating to books and authors, to criticisms of the official solution to the case.

In connection with my work and with my AL appeal I have also called to your attention material in names that appears to have no basis in any records provided to me, including under AL. Obviously these in FBIHQ are prepared from names received and materials for them.

It now is obvious that 62-40968 is a real file, is relevant and has not been searched for compliance with my requests. I ask that it be searched promptly, please.

This would appear to be the kind of file described above. I would like to know and I would like to know whether there are other such files, special or otherwise. I would also like to know why I have not received a single record from this file in compliance with my requests.

Of course this also applies to the King case, where - do have a list of authors in the request. I have had no compliance with this item despite appeal of long ago. Are there such special files on critics or authors in the King case? At FBIHQ, Memphis or Office of Origin or elsewhere?

Please note that on the top of this airtel three FBIHQ names are withheld. See last the

the initials "LSP" first under FBI practices I've observed. Now I believe the real reason for the withholding, as in the past, has nothing to do with any claimed need to protect "privacy" but actually is intended to hide what the FBI has been hiding all along, files the disclosure of which could embarrass it. This appears to be a duplication of the Long ticker hit in the King case.

In this connection I remind you again of the Director's ignored and violated policy statement with regard to historical cases, that FBI names would not be withheld. I provided you with a copy of that letter. So while in most cases, having already appeals the withholding of these names, I have not noted their withholding or made a special appeal in this case, because it appears to be a lead to what the FBI has been covering up, I do appeal the withholding of these names and ask that they be asked about any such special files or projects relating to books, authors, critics, etc.

I failed to see how in my file search at FROB, my consultation with my index did not disclose the existence of this 62-109066 file. This ~~is~~ what I regard as substantial questions of good index faith. Howling, really, bad faith.

It also induces again what I regard as substantial questions about the soundness of appeal and the appeals machinery if the requester, who has access to nothing except what is provided to him, must inform the appeals office of the existence of files not searched and then has to wait an interminable time for even response, whether or not compliance. And if the FBI keeps the existence of relevant files secret from the appeals authority, how can the appeal authority consider an appeal from such denials and withholdings?

Given the obscurity of the numbers 109060 and 109068 I believe it is appropriate for you to determine whether or not other related files were established at that time as well as later.