

AN END TO SPECULATION

Documents, book should close JFK assassination story *NJ*

WHERE WE STAND

It's time to accept the findings that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in killing JFK.

The Kennedy assassination industry — and "industry" best describes the millions of hours, dollars and pages devoted to the issue — is delighted by the release of hundreds of thousands of pages of raw data by the Na-

tional Archives.

Spurred by the spurious theories of Oliver Stone's film, "JFK," government agencies are releasing most of their files connected with the Nov. 22, 1963, death of President Kennedy and the subsequent investigations. Those who believe Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone, and those who see great conspiracies, will doubtlessly find what they want in those documents.

Some material will stay classified until President Clinton gets around to appointing an independent panel to review it. Congress asked the president to name that review panel by January but these are just more of the many appointments the White House has failed to make.

While conspiracy buffs, historians and just plain Joe Six Packs thumb through the newly released material, and will probably find dozens of new theories, a book has just been released that should satisfy most Americans.

Gerald Posner's "Case Closed" basically states that Oswald acted alone, that he had plenty of time to fire the shots from the Texas Book Depository in Dallas, that a single bullet hit both President Kennedy and John Connally, and that "JFK" and dozens of books saying otherwise were merely misguided theories.

Posner's book and the release of every available document won't stop the Kennedy assassination industry. As far as we're concerned, though, enough is enough. Let's get on with our lives.