Department of Justice Washington, A.C. 20530

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Mr. James B. Rhoads Archivist of the United States General Services Administration Washington, D.C. 20408

Dear Mr. Rhoads:

This letter is in response to your request of May 15, 1972 that the Department of Justice undertake a review of certain documents in the Numbered and Unnumbered Document Files of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy for purposes of public release and declassification, and will confirm information conveyed by phone to Mr. Marion Johnson of your staff.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has undertaken a review of these documents and recommends that the unnumbered documents continue to be withheld from public scrutiny. It also recommends that those numbered documents bearing security classifications not be downgraded or declassified and continue to be withheld under Guideline 2.

Sincerely,

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Office of Legal Counsel