

BRIEFING-Arp Offsite, 23-24 January 1995

Historical Review Group

I. Background

- A. Established in 1992 by DCI as part of Openness Policy
 - Part of Historical Review Program managed by CSI
 - HR70-14 resulted from recommendations of Task Force
- B. DCI Woolsey confirmed the Program before HPSCI, 1993
 "Increased accessibility" to Cold War records
- C. Collaborate with History Staff, Academic Coordinator
- D. Purpose: Declassify certain categories of 30-year old records, of historical value
 - Topical approach used rather than systematic
 - Briefed Excom in 1993
- E. Kennedy Assassination records assigned to HRG

II. Releases

- A. Mandatory:
 - Kennedy Assassination records
 - Foreign Relations of the United States series, State Department
- B. Voluntary:
 1. Soviet National Intelligence Estimates (10 yrs old)
 2. "Studies in Intelligence" articles
 3. Covert actions (11 identified by DCI)
 4. Other collections
- C. Records Released:
 1. JFK-Reviewed more than 325,000 pp (Sequestered, Oswald 201)
 Includes ~163,000 pp microfilm print outs-72 reels
 Released to NARA 217,000 pp
 Third Agency (esp FBI), Hse Assntn Cmmttee, SSCI
 HPSCI, Ford Library
 - est. 100,000 pp
 2. NIES-more than 400 estimates

- Interagency mechanism
- 3. FRUS-5,700 in 1994 (4,700 in 1993)
 - State Historian's views on covert action
- 4. Other:
 - Covert actions under review-Bay of Pigs, Guat.
 - Top down approach
 - History Source Collection-28,000 pp
 - Raoul Wallenberg Collection- 1,500 pp
 - Selected documents for conferences (Harvard, Cuban Missile Crisis)
 - Dulles History (700 pp)
 - "Studies in Intelligence"

TOTAL RELEASES:

FY 1994-125,000 pp
FY 1993-104,000 pp

E. Other factors

- Had planned to do "block review" on Vietnam and Korea DI and NIC publications
 - On hold in view of E.O. 12356

III. All of this adds to already heavy work load of the IROs and others in directorates

IV. JFK Board: Describe the Board

- Will review all redacted documents

V. HRG Review Process-next page

CIA Historical Review Program

PURPOSE: TO RELEASE COLD WAR RECORDS
OF HISTORICAL VALUE

1. PRESIDENT John F. KENNEDY Assassination Records

REVIEWED MORE THAN 425,000 pages

CIA RECORDS - 325,000

THIRD AGENCY 100,000

2. FOREIGN RELATIONS OF US 10,000 pages

3. Natl Intell ESTIMATES Soviet Union

4. RAoul Wallenberg Collection

5. CONFERENCE RECORDS - Missile crisis, etc.

6. "STUDIES"

INITIAL DOCUMENTS

FOIA NOT ALWAYS APPL

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NOTE FOR: JOHN QUINONES
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SUBJECT: DECLASSIFICATION REVIEW PRESENTATION

1. THE HISTORICAL REVIEW GROUP, CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF INTELLIGENCE, IS PREPARED TO HELP SUPPORT THIS EFFORT. WE PROPOSE A DISPLAY OF THE COVERS OF SEVEN STUDIES , HANDOUTS OF ANOTHER THREE, AND SOME SORT OF GRAPHIC/HANDOUT ON THE VOLUME OF MATERIAL REVIEWED.

2. WE WILL, OF COURSE, NEED SOME HELP ON THE GRAPHICS -- SINCE WE HAVE NO CAPABILITY HERE OTHER THAN FOLKS WHO HAVE NICE HANDWRITING.

3. AS TIME PERMITS, PLEASE PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON WHERE TO BE WHEN, AND A POC FOR GRAPHICS ASSISTANCE.

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