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To : Mrs. Morris Date 4/25/96  
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PURPOSE: To advise that on or about 5/1/96, the Assassination Records Review Board (ARRB) will advise us of their determinations on 70 FBI documents, previously postponed (redacted) to protect informants, privacy and foreign counterintelligence (FCI) information to include sources, methods and foreign relations; and to request Criminal Investigative Division (CID) and National Security Division (NSD) to review the determinations and provide their positions on the determinations, as to appeal. (U)

RECOMMENDATION: That CID and NSD addend this memorandum with their positions as to appealing the ARRB decisions and so advise the JFK Task Force (JFKTF) and the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) by 5/1/96. (U)

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d) **PCI William Riley - Appeal** - This individual was unable to provide any information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of his identity. Although this symbolized source is deceased, there is no information regarding the existence of surviving family members and the impact of the disclosure upon them. Accordingly, the CID cannot support the release.

e) **PCI Sandy Hillard - Appeal** - This individual was unable to provide any information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of his/her identity. It appears that this individual was subsequently opened as a symbolized source, providing intelligence on a variety of violations in his/her locality. Absent a showing either that he/she has been contacted about and has agreed to the proposed disclosure or, if he/she is dead, that an attempt was made to contact his/her survivors, the CID cannot support the release.

f) **PCI Floyd Crosby - Appeal** - This individual was unable to provide any information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of his/her identity. It is unclear whether this individual is still alive. Absent a showing either that he has been contacted about and has agreed to the proposed disclosure or, if he is dead, that an attempt was made to contact her survivors, the CID cannot support the release.

g) **PCI Albert Persons - Appeal** - This individual was unable to provide any information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of his/her identity. It is unclear whether this individual is still alive. Absent a showing either that he has been contacted about and has agreed to the proposed disclosure or, if he is dead, that an attempt was made to contact her survivors, the CID cannot support the release.

**Tab 3) No recommendation** - The source was administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tab 4)**

a) **Velma Graham - Appeal** - This individual provided no information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of her identity, particularly in view of the fact that she relocated after assisting the FBI in for fear of physical reprisal from subjects upon which she had provided information.

**b-c) No recommendation** - The sources were administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tabs 5 - 15) No recommendation** - The sources were administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tabs 16 - 18) Mex-156; Mex-34 - Appeal** - The FBI's criminal intelligence gathering activities in foreign countries, as furthered by the Confidential Sources Abroad Program, is a matter of sensitivity which is subject to compromise through release of symbol numbers and identities of the sources.

**Tabs 19 - 35) No recommendation** - The sources were administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tab 36) PCIs Benjamin Cohen and James Barone - Release** Good faith efforts to identify and contact these individuals regarding the proposed disclosures were made, but were unsuccessful.

**Tab 37 - 43) No recommendation** - The sources were administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tab 44) Galdino S. Martinez - Appeal** - Although a good faith effort has to locate this individual, because he was a symbolized source in a sensitive position and provided intelligence from as foreign country, CID cannot support the release.

**Tab 45 - 48) No recommendation** - The sources were administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tab 49) PCI Kitty Peterson- Appeal** - Although a good faith effort has been to locate this individual, due to the source's long term valuable assistance, coupled with the closeness of her connections to local organized crime figures, source in a sensitive position and provided intelligence from as foreign country, CID cannot support the release.

**Tab 50) No recommendation** - The sources were administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determinations.

**Tab 51) PCI Manuel Castro - Release** - Good faith efforts to identify and contact this individual regarding the proposed disclosures were made, but were unsuccessful.

**Tab 52) No recommendation** - The source was administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tab 53) William Alexander - Appeal** - A determination to release cannot be made inasmuch as no information has been provided regarding the status of the individual as an FBI source or whether or not he is still alive. proper

**Tab 54) PCI Charles Colston - Release** - Good faith efforts to identify and contact this individual regarding the proposed disclosures were made, but were unsuccessful.

**Tab 55) No recommendation** - The source was administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tab 56) PCI Leonard Hutchison - Appeal** - Records cannot establish whether the source is alive, but indicate the existence of a family member. Accordingly, unless/until that individual is contacted and an assessment as made regarding the potential impact of the disclosure, the CID cannot support the release.

**Tab 57) No recommendation** - The source was administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tabs 58 - 59)**

**a) Ben Yarbrough - Appeal** - This individual was unable to provide any information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of his/her identity. Records cannot establish whether the symbolized source is alive, but indicate the existence of a family member. Accordingly, unless/until that individual is contacted and an assessment as made regarding the potential impact of the disclosure, the CID cannot support the proposed release.

**b) Wayne High - Appeal** - This individual was unable to provide any information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of his/her identity. He was converted from a PCI to a symbolized source and provided a volume of information for almost a decade. Accordingly, the CID cannot support the proposed release.

**c) PCI Mark Floyd - Appeal** - This individual was unable to provide any information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of his/her identity.

**d) PCI James D. Yates - Appeal** - This individual was unable to provide any information relating to the Kennedy assassination that would justify a public compromise of his/her identity.

**Tab 60 - 61)** The sources were administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determinations.

**Tab 62) Allimae Hudgins - Appeal** - This individual was at one time a symbolized source, and provided positive information in that capacity on a variety of violations for at least a four year period. While records cannot confirm her status, they reveal family members who should be contacted regarding the same or the potential impact of the proposed disclosure upon them.

**Tab 63) No recommendation** - The source was administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determination.

**Tab 64 - 69) No recommendation** - The sources appear to have been administered by the NSD; accordingly, the NSD should make the appeal determinations.

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