The Honorable Robert E. Chasen
Commissioner
U. S. Customs Service
1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20229

Dear Mr. Chasen:

In connection with its investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of President John F. Kennedy, the House Select Committee on Assassinations requests that by January 30, 1978 you make available to duly authorized representatives of the Committee any information or files maintained by Customs on the individuals listed below:

1. Manuel Artime

   Cuban national who headed political action for Bay of Pigs invasion; with Brigade 2506 Leader of MRR.
   Died: November 17, 1977

2. Dominick E. Bartone

   Office in 1962: Room 551
   Pan American Bank
   Miami, Ohio
   Born: Toledo, Ohio (possibly)

3. Sam Benton

   Miami, Florida
   Arrested July 1963, La Combe, Louisiana
   Indicted in Florida 1971
   Associate of Mike McLaney
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4. Edward Browder, Jr.
   DOB: June 22, 1917 at Amarillo, Texas
   FBI No. 4 840 823

5. Dino Cellini
   FBI No. 219 8122

6. David Ferrie
   DOB: March 28, 1918
   Social Security No. 282-18-8219

7. Michael McLaney, aka McClainey
   DOB: Approx. 1915
   Owner of Nacional Casino, Havanna, Cuba
during late 1950's.
   Indicted 1971 Southern District of New York

8. John Martino
   DOB: August 3, 1911
   Atlantic City, New Jersey
   DOD: August 3, 1975
      Miami Beach, Flori-a

9. Captain William Morgan
   American "soldier-of-fortune" jailed in
   Cuba in early 1960 and killed in prison
   for allegedly anti-Castro activities.

10. William Robert Plumlee
    Associate of John Martino
11. John Roselli
   (real name Felippe Sacco)

12. Sergio Arcacha Smith
    Leader of New Orleans branch of Cuban Revolutionary Council through 1962

13. Frank Sturgis aka Frank Fiorini

14. Manuel Antonio DeVarona aka Tony Varona
    Miami official of Cuban Revolutionary Council
    Miami address in 1962: 826 Madrid Street
    Coral Gables, Florida

15. Eduardo Whitehouse
    Cuban National, former head of Batista's Air Force.

To expedite access to the Agency's records, the Committee would appreciate it if priority were given to preparing information covering the period 1958 - 1963. Please notify us when documents pertaining to that period have been completed.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please call Jackie Hess at the Committee offices.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

G. Robert Blakey
Chief Counsel and Director

GRB:jsc
cc: Mr. John Thorne
    Congressional Liaison
    U.S. Customs Service
cc: Mr. J. Robert McBrien
    Special Assistant for Special Legislation and Projects
    Department of the Treasury