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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY AND DEPUTY
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

ATTN: Ms. Judith A. Miller

1. The National Security Agency has made a thorough search of all records that might contain information pertaining to the Select Committee on Assassinations' request for information relevant to an allegation by former Air Force enlisted man, [redacted] that while stationed at Kirknewton, Scotland, he intercepted information linking an assassination plot against President Kennedy with a figure in organized crime.
2. No communications or information relating to the Committee's request has been located. Since no other component of DoD is likely to have information related to this inquiry, suggest you use the attached draft as your response. If, however, there is any reason why the attached draft cannot be used, please consult with us before releasing the information in any other form.
3. The attached draft response is unclassified.

Eugene F. Yeates
EUGENE F. YEATES
Chief
Legislative Affairs

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PROPOSED RESPONSE TO MR. BLAKEY FROM MR. KESTER

Dear Mr. Blakey:

This letter is in reply to your letter of 15 November 1978 to Secretary Brown, requesting certain information relating to the investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy.

Cognizant elements of the Department of Defense have made a thorough and detailed search in an attempt to find records which might relate to the matters as recently discussed between you and Ms. Miller of my office.

The search efforts included discussions with individuals familiar with relevant operational procedures existing during the 1963 time frame, a review of records of stored files that might be applicable to your inquiry, and a physical review of specific records in warehouse storage (recognizing that most records from this period no longer exist).

The search efforts described above revealed no information relevant to your request.

Sincerely,

JOHN G. KESTER

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M/R: On 8 November, Mr. Robert G. Blakey, Chief Counsel and Staff Director for the House Select Committee on Assassinations, posed a number of questions to NSA regarding a former Air Force enlisted man's allegation that he had intercepted information linking an assassination plot against President Kennedy with a figure in organized crime. Mr. Blakey subsequently submitted a written request (dated 15 November) to support his verbal one.

In essence, the questions probed NSA's ability to quickly and thoroughly probe for records from the Air Force site in Kirknewton, Scotland (USA-55, now closed), for information relating to the allegation.

G809 and N33 personnel reviewed both a listing of data and boxed records from USA-55, but their efforts failed to reveal evidence of the alleged incident. The actual traffic from this period was minimal and no other records are extant.

The Director has approved.

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