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ISSUE 1 -- Unacknowledged Covert Actions

2. (S) Within records surfaced by the Ford Library is a document -- a Helms Memorandum for the Record on a PFIAB meeting -- which contains references to CIA covert financial support to political parties in Peru, Greece, Italy and Brazil and to labor unions in France and Italy.²

3. (S) After much negotiation, the ARRB staff has agreed to recommend to the Board that the information related to those covert actions be considered non-related and the documents designated "Not Believed Related" (NBR). The document will be grouped with similar "NBR" documents and be presented to the Board for final action at the 13 April or 12 May meeting.

ISSUE 2 -- Alias Documentation and Accommodation Addresses

4. (S) The CIA security file of former Agency employee, David Morales (deceased -- true name already released), within the sequestered collection contains documentation on five of his alias.³ We anticipate similar problems as we re-review other security files within the sequestered collection. We are considering a compromise with the following elements:

- protect all references to official documents reflecting the alias such as social security cards, drivers licenses,
- release items designated as pocket litter such as club cards,
- protect elements of accommodation addresses to avoid identifying specific locations, and
- lastly, make a decision to actually release or protect the alias itself depending on the timeframe and its importance to the JFK story.

5. (S) However, disagreements on the actual implementation (e.g., protect house number but release street name of accommodation address) have prevented a final resolution at this

² (S) See Attachment 1.

³ (S) See Attachment 2.

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time. We are also exploring with the DO senior management whether the blanket release of pocket litter (whether lawfully obtained or forged) might present media or operational issues today. Accordingly, we have requested that the issue be postponed until the May meeting.

ISSUE 3 -- Organizational Materials

6. (S) This request (one of the earliest and known as CIA-1) asked for organization charts on various Agency directorates and/or components for the years 1958-1968. All Agency directorates provided material responsive to the request and the ARRB staff has selected items for inclusion in the JFK collection. Remaining at issue are three DO charts -- a 1961 generic DDP organization, a 1963 generic DDP organization, and a detailed JMWAVE organization.⁴ The DO has agreed to release the first two and remain adamantly opposed to the release of the JMWAVE chart given its similarity to current organizational plans.

7. (S) This issue will be presented by ARRB staff to the Board at the 13 April meeting where they will recommend that the DDP generic charts be accepted (good for CIA) and that the JMWAVE chart be declared as an assassination record (bad for CIA); an actual vote by the Board will not take place until the May meeting.

ISSUE 4 -- Mexico City Tapes

8. (S) This request asked for a thorough search of Agency files and documents for and CIA "... surveillance 'take' from Cuban and Soviet facilities in Mexico City at the time of the Oswald visit and in the immediate wake of the assassination." Among the items provided by the DO were five boxes containing audio tapes from telephone taps on the Cuban and Russian embassies and facilities. A number of the tapes are dated

⁴ (S) See Attachment 3.

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