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In connection with the investigation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations into the death of President John F. Kennedy, I am writing to request that by March 1, 1978, the Central Intelligence Agency provide a statement explaining in detail the reasons for which a [redacted] file may be opened. This statement should address the following possible criteria, individually or in any combination, as well as any other possible criteria not specifically listed: STAT

1. Possible and actual sources of intelligence information;

2. Possible and actual intelligence agents, assets, or contract employees;

3. Travelers, particularly travelers to communist or unfriendly countries;

4. Individuals who defect or have attempted to defect to communist or unfriendly countries;

5. U. S. servicemen or former U. S. servicemen who pose counterintelligence dangers by revealing, offering to reveal, or threatening to reveal military or intelligence secrets to communist or unfriendly countries;

6. Individuals whose suspected counterintelligence activities precipitate changes in United States military or intelligence codes, methods, sources or procedures;

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7. Individuals who have been contacted by communist or unfriendly intelligence organizations or instrumentalities thereof;

8. Individuals who have received money or other items of value from communist or unfriendly governments or instrumentalities thereof; and

9. Possible and actual foreign intelligence agents or employees.

Please address this statement to the time period 1958-1964 in particular, and indicate whether there were any changes in such criteria during these years. Finally, would you please specify in your response under which criteria, or combination of criteria, if any, the opening of a [redacted] file was considered to be mandatory during this period. STAT

Sincerely,

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