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April 15, 1975

Mr. E. Henry Knoche Assistant to the Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Knoche:

A recent book has been published entitled "The Assassination Tapes", in which the book falsely claims that an instrument known as the "psychological stress evaluator" proves that Lee Harvey Oswald was innocent of the murders of President John F. Kennedy and Officer J.D. Tippitt.

We would like to know whether or not the Agency has undertaken any tests or experimentation with the "psychological stress evaluator" (PSE) to ascertain its reliability as a device showing whether or not a person is telling the truth. In addition, we would like to know if you have made any comparison between the PSE and polygraphic examinations to compare their relative reliability. We would also like to know any additional information you may have about the PSE.

Weill you please reply to us by April 22.

Sincerely yours,

David W. Belin Executive Director

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