STATEMENT OF UNDISPUTED FACTS AND STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL FACTS

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1.	The PDBs contain information that, by itself or	
in co	nnection with other information, could expose the	
exist	ence of sensitive sources and methods of	
intelligence collection. (Decl. of CIA Information		
Revi	ew Officer Terry N. Buroker ¶ 34.)	

CIA FACTS AND EVIDENCE

Disputed. CIA's evidence is insufficient to support this conclusion. Nor does CIA's evidence establish materiality of fact to the two PDBs at issue here. See also Declaration of Bill Moyers ("Moyers Decl."), ¶¶ 7-9; Declaration of George Herring ("Herring Decl."), ¶¶ 6, 9, 10, 15; **Declaration of Thomas Blanton** ("Blanton Decl."), ¶¶ 7-40 and Exhibits ("Ex.") 4-24; 26-31 (showing 30 PDBs and PICLS, the predecessor document to the PBD, are already publicly available; and several thousand CIBs, which often contain verbatim or near verbatim information as contained in PDBs); Declaration of Larry Berman ("Berman Decl."), ¶¶ 20-28; see also Ex. 25 at 1 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 31 (John Diamond, Few PDBs Declassified for Public, USA Today (April 11, 2004)(reporting that CIA Director George Tenet said to a House-Senate investigative committee in 2002 that it

is not the content of the PDBs that make

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	2	and foreign policy decisions based on the best	make national security and foreign
	3	intelligence that the U.S. Intelligence is capable of	policy decisions. Nor does CIA's
	4	obtaining. (<u>Id</u> . ¶ 77.)	evidence establish materiality of fact to
	5		the two PDBs at issue here. See also
	6		Moyers Decl., ¶¶ 5-9; Herring Decl., ¶
	7		9-11, 15; Blanton Decl., ¶¶ 7-40, and
	8		Exs. 4-31; Berman Decl., ¶¶ 20-28.
	9	16. Disclosure of the PDBs at issue would reveal	Disputed. CIA's evidence is
	10	the deliberative processes of U.S. foreign policy	insufficient to support this vague
LLP	11	decision making and of providing intelligence to the	conclusion. Nor does CIA's evidence
E L	12 13	President regarding foreign policy priorities. (Id. ¶ 68-	establish materiality of fact to the two
IAIN	14	73.)	PDBs at issue here. See also Moyers
VIS WRIGHT TREMAINE	15		Decl., ¶¶ 5, 9 (PDBs report facts, they
Π Π	16		do not contain policy
IGH	17		recommendations); Herring Decl., ¶ 5,
WR	18		9-11, 15; Blanton Decl., ¶¶ 3, 7-40, and
	19		Exs. 2 (CIA Today: "CIA's analysts
DA	20		only report information and DO NOT
	21		make policy recommendations"), 4-
	22		31; Berman Decl., ¶¶ 20-28.
	23	17. Such a disclosure would chill the presentation	Disputed. CIA's evidence is
	24	of timely intelligence collection and analysis. (Id.	insufficient to support this vague
	25	¶¶ 74-76.)	conclusion. Nor does CIA's evidence
	26		establish materiality of fact to the two
	27		PDBs at issue here. See also Moyers
	28		Decl., ¶¶ 4, 7, 9; Herring Decl., ¶ 6-11,

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2		15; Blanton Decl., ¶¶ 7-40, and Exs. 4-
3		31; Berman Decl., ¶¶ 20-28.
5	18. Any non-exempt information in the PDBs at	Disputed. CIA's evidence is
6	issue is inextricably intertwined with information	insufficient to support this vague
7	which is exempt from disclosure under FOIA. (Id.	conclusion. Nor does CIA's evidence
8	¶ 78.)	establish materiality of fact to the two
9		PDBs at issue here. <u>See also</u> Moyers
10		Decl., ¶¶ 4, 7, 9; Herring Decl., ¶ 5-11,
11		15; Blanton Decl., ¶¶ 7-40, and Exs. 4-
12		31; Berman Decl., ¶¶ 20-28.
13	19. It would be impossible to meaningfully	Disputed. CIA's evidence is
14	segregate any non exempt information in the PDBs at	insufficient to support this vague
15	issue from exempt information. (Id. ¶ 78.)	conclusion. Nor does CIA's evidence
16		establish materiality of fact to the two
17		PDBs at issue here. See also Moyers
18		Decl., ¶¶ 4, 7, 9; Herring Decl., ¶ 5-11,
19		15; Blanton Decl., ¶¶ 7-40, and Exs. 4-
20		31; Berman Decl., ¶¶ 20-28.

BERMAN'S ADDITIONAL FACTS IN OPPOSITION TO CIA'S FACTS

The Nature of the President's Daily Briefs

MATERIAL FACT IN OPPOSITION	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
20. Historic PDBs, such as those at issue here, can be	See Moyers Decl., ¶¶ 4, 7, 8, 9; Herring
disclosed with redactions to protect sensitive source	Decl., ¶ 3-11, 15; Blanton Decl., ¶¶ 7-
and methods, if implicated, without harm to national	40, and Exs. 4-31; Berman Decl., ¶¶ 20-

MATERIAL FACT IN OPPOSITION	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
security.	28.
21. PDBs are finished intelligence, not draft reports.	See Moyers Decl., ¶ 4; Blanton Decl., ¶ 7-40, and Exs. 4-31; Berman Decl., ¶¶ 20-28.
22. The PPBs do not contain policy recommendations; rather, they report facts on world events to aid the President and executive branch officials who do set U.S. policy toward other countries.	See Ex. 2 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 3 (CIA Today: Today's CIA – What We Do: "CIA's analysts only report information and DO NOT make policy recommendations"); Moyers Decl., ¶ 5; Herrring Decl., ¶ 5.
23. The information contained in the PDBs is assembled from various sources including satellite photographs, signal intercepts, Department of State cables, individual recruits and open source intelligence, which includes published and transcribed news accounts of foreign events, public comments by foreign leaders and other dignitaries and other publicly available information.	See Moyers Decl., ¶ 4; Herring Decl., ¶ 4.
24. Roughly 40 percent of the items covered in the PDBs are addressed in newspapers.	See Ex. 3 at 16 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 4 (John L. Helgerson, Getting to Know the President: CIA Briefings of Presidential Candidates, 1952-1992 (Washington, D.C.; CIA Center for the Study of Intelligence, 1996, 165 pp), p. 163; See also

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MATERIAL FACT IN OPPOSITION	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
	http://www.cia.gov/cis/books/briefings/
	cia; Ex. 39 at 3 to Blanton Decl, ¶ 47.
25. Indeed when President William Clinton was in	See Ex. 39 at 3 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 47.
office he complained that most days the PDBs	
contained information he had already read elsewhere.	
26. While the practice has varied from President to	See Ex. 3 at 6 and 8 to Blanton Decl.,¶
President, during the Johnson administration a briefer	6; see also Ex. 19 to Berman Decl, ¶ 41
from the CIA was not present when the President read	(August 6, 1965 President's Daily Diary
the PDB.	reflects no visit from CIA personnel or a
	CIA briefer).
27. Because no briefer from the CIA was physically	See Ex. 3 at 6 and 8 to Blanton Decl.
present when President Johnson read the PDBs, the	
CIA did not receive from Johnson the feedback it	
received from President John F. Kennedy or more	
recent Presidents.	

At Least 35 PDBs/PICLs Have Been Released and Are Publicly Available

MATERIAL FACT IN OPPOSITION	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
28. As many as 35 PDBs or predecessor documents	See Exs. 4-24 to Blanton Decl., ¶¶7-30
know as Presidential Intelligence Check Lists	(showing CIA released in sanitized form
("PICLs") have been released and are publicly	15 PBDs and 5 PICLS pursuant to
available in various forms.	mandatory declassification review
	process, and showing the content of 5
	other PBDs has been published); see
	also Buroker Decl., n. 4 at 14 (10
	PICLS released pursuant to JFK

	1	MATERIAL FACT IN OPPOSITION	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
	2	33. Another entry concerning the head of state in	See Ex. 5 at 4 to Blanton Decl.,¶ 12.
	3	Indonesia reads: "Despite Sukarno's long-standing	
	4	kidney ailment, for which he delays proper treatment,	
	5	he has seemed quite chipper lately."	
	6	34. Portions of the content of five of the ten Johnson	See Ex. 14 to Blanton Decl.¶ 13; see
	7	Administration-era PDBs, dated June 5, 1967, June 6,	also
	8	1967, June 7, 1967, June 8, 1967, June 9, 1967, are	http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ho/frus/johnso
	9	included, in its Six Day War Volume (XIX) in a	nlb/xix/28058.htm.
	10	documentary series titled "Foreign Relations of the	
7	11	United States ("FRUS"), published by the State	
L L	12	Department and available on the Internet at	
AIN	13	http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ho/frus/johnsonlb/xix/28058.	
EM	14	<u>htm</u> .	
VIS WRIGHT TREMAINE LLP	15	35. At least 5 other PDBs, have been officially	See Exs. 15-16; 18-20 to Blanton
H5	16	released by the CIA in sanitized form through the	Decl.,¶¶ 14-26.
W R	17	mandatory declassification review process.	
VIS	18	36. One of these PDBs, dated May 29, 1967, was	See Ex.16 to Blanton Decl.,¶ 15.
DA	19	released by the CIA in "sanitized" form on December	
	20	2, 2004 – the very month that Plaintiff Larry Berman	
	21	filed the instant lawsuit.	
	22	37. This PDB, which appears in cable form,	<u>Id</u> ., ¶ 16.
	23	addressed to the President and marked "DAILY	
	24	BRIEF," contains entries regarding South Vietnam and	
	25	North Vietnam with redactions. The South Vietnam	
	26	entry reads: "ENEMY GROUND ACTIVITY OVER	
	27 28	THE WEEKEND WAS LIMITED LARGELY TO	
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	1	MATERIAL FACT IN OPPOSITION	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
	2	SPORADIC MORTAR ATTACKS, TERRORIST	
	3	RAIDS, AND SMALL-SCALE UNIT ACTIONS IN	
	4	THE NORTHERN PROVINCES AND WESTERN	
	5	HIGHLANDS. THERE ARE CONTINUING SIGNS,	
	6	HOWEVER, THAT A GENERAL OFFENSIVE BY	
	7	VIET CONG AND NORTH VIETNAMESE ARMY	
	8	FORCES IS IMMINENT. [REDACTED] ALL	
	9	POINT TO THE EARLY INITIATION OF A	
	10	COUNTRY-WIDE SUMMER CAMPAIGN –	
LLP	11	PERHAPS BETWEEN NOW AND THE END OF	
	12	THE MONTH."	
TREMAINE	13	38. Another of these PDBs is dated April 25, 1967.	See Ex. 16 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 17.
EM	14	The full text of this PDB was likewise released by the	
	15	CIA in sanitized during the very month that Plaintiff	
GH	16	Larry Berman filed the instant lawsuit – December 10,	
VIS WRIGHT	17	2004.	
VIS	18	39. This PDB, which appears in cable form,	<u>Id</u> . at 1, ¶ 18.
DA	19	addressed to the President and marked "DAILY	
	20	BRIEF," contain an entry regarding South Vietnam	
	21	which states: "VOTERS HAVE NOW GONE TO THE	
	22	POLLS IN 900 OF THE APPROXIMATELY 1,000	
	23	VILLAGES SCHEDULED TO ELECT THEIR	
	24 25	OFFICIALS THIS SPRING. TOTAL TURNOUT SO	
	26	FAR HAS BEEN 77 PERCENT OF THOSE	
		REGISTERED. VIET CONG HARASSMENT WAS	
	27	LIGHT DURING THE LATEST POLLING LAST	
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	3	SUNDAY."	
		40. Another dated January 16, 1967, indicates that on	See Ex. 18 at 1 to Blanton Decl.,¶¶ 21,
	4	January 15, 1993, it was released pursuant to the	22.
	5	mandatory declassification review procedures. It	
	6	consists of a one paragraph excerpt titled: "Possible	
	7 8 9 10	Augmentation of Hanoi's MIG Fighter Force." The	
		text states "The North Vietnamese May have received	
		as many as 70 jet fighters recently. [redaction] 50	
		MIG-21 and 20-MIG-17 aircraft have been received by	
LLP	11	the North Vietnamese Air Force. The MIG-21s were	
	12	described as having come from the USSR and being	
TREMAINE	13	hidden near a mountain – possibly the range north of	
REM	14	Phuc Yen Airfield. The location of the MIG-17s,	
	15 16	which purportedly came from the Kwangsi Province,	
IGH		China, was not indicated."	
WRIGHT	17	41. Another dated November 5, 1966, indicates that	See Ex. 19 at 1 to Blanton Decl.,¶¶ 23,
VIS	18	in August of 1993 it was approved for released	24.
DA	19	pursuant to the mandatory declassification review	
	20	procedures. This PDB states: "REVOLUTIONARY	
	21	DEVELOPMENT MINISTER THANG IS	
	22	COMPLAINING THAT CRITICISM OF HIS	
	23	PROGRAM HAS RECENTLY BECOME	
	24	FASHIONABLE AMONG SAIGON LEADERS.	
	25	SOME OF THIS CRITICISM COMES FROM XY	
	26	AND THIEU. IT PROBABLY STEMS FROM	
	27	RESENTMENT OVER THE PUBLICITY	

	1	MATERIAL FACT IN OPPOSITION	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
	2	ACCORDED THANG AND HIS PROGRAMS.	
	3	THANG'S RESIGNATION WOULD BE A REAL	
	4	IMPEDIMENT TO REVOLUTIONARY	
	5	DEVELOPMENT SINCE NO EQUALLY	
	6	QUALIFIED SUCCESSOR IS IN SIGHT.	
	7	42. Another dated December 20, 1967, indicates that	See Ex. 20 to Blanton Decl.,¶ 25.
	8	on May 16, 1990, it was approved for released pursuant	
	9	to the mandatory declassification review procedure. It	
	10	includes the description "Daily Brief and Special	
ط	11	Report." It includes a six page section on South	
ELI	12	Vietnam and a "SPECIAL DAILY REPORT ON	
AIN	13	NORTH VIETNAM FOR THE PRESIDENT'S EYES	
TREMAINE LLP	14	ONLY."	
r TR	15	43. Most recently, President George W. Bush	See Ex. 21 to the Blanton Decl.,¶ 27;
WRIGHT	16	declassified and released to the National Commission	see also Answer, ¶ 4.
WRI	17	on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States (the "9/11	
VIS	18	Commission"), excerpts of two PDBs dated December	
DA	19	4, 1998 and August 6, 2001.	
	20	44. Additionally, the former Director of Central	See Ex. 22 to Blanton Decl.,¶ 28; see
	21	Intelligence Robert M. Gates received CIA permission	also Answer, ¶ 4.
	22	to characterize and to quote verbatim from two PDBs	
	23	in his 1996 memoir "From the Shadows: The Ultimate	
	24	Insider's Story of Five Presidents and How They Won	
	25	the Cold War," including the September 2, 1983 PDB	
	26	on the Soviet shoot-down of KAL-007 (at page 267)	
	27	and a passage from the August 17, 1991 PDB on the	
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	2	impending break of up the USSR (at page 521).	
	3	45. Bob Woodward's book titled "Bush at War"	See Ex. 23 at 2 and 3 to Blanton Decl.,¶
	4	references and quotes from a PDBs dated September	29.
	5	12, 2001. In reference to the terrorist attacks on	
	6	September 11, 2001, and the PDB of September 12,	
	7	Woodward writes, "One report out of Kandahar,	
	8	Afghanistan, the spiritual home of the Taliban, show	
	9	the attacks were 'the results of two years' planning.'	
	10	One said bin Laden associate – incorrectly – 'gave	•
<u>م</u>	11	thanks for the explosion in the Congress building."	
ΕU	12	46. In addition to the PDB's disclosed as referenced	See Ex. 24 to Blanton Decl,¶ 24.
AIN	13	above, a number of PICLs, the predecessor document	
VIS WRIGHT TREMAINE LLP	14	to the PDB have been released by the CIA in sanitized	
r tr	15	form pursuant to the mandatory declassification review	
GH	16	process. These include "sanitized" PICLS from	
WR	17	February 15. 1962, October 15, 1962, October 16,	
VIS	18	1962, October 17, 1962, and October 18, 1962.	
DA	19	47. The ten Johnson-era PDBs released by the CIA in	Compare Exhibit 24 to Blanton Decl.
	20	sanitized form are <u>not</u> the same as the ten PICLs that	(PICLs) to Exhibits 4-13 to Blanton
	21	the CIA claims were released pursuant to JFK	Decl. (PDBs); see also Buroker Decl., n.
	22	Assassination Review Board, pursuant to the President	4 at 14.
	23	John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act	
	24	of 1992, 44 U.S.C. 2107.	
	2526	48. Nor are the 10 PICLS released pursuant to the	See Blanton Decl., ¶ 30.
	27	President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records	
	28	Collection Act of 1992, 44 U.S.C. 2107, the same as	
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the 5 PICLS released by the CIA pursuant to the	
mandatory declassification review process.	
49. The PICL is the predecessor to the PDB.	See Buroker Decl., ¶ 18.

The CIA's Blanket Policy on Non-Disclosure of PDBs And Advisory Committee Response

MATERIAL FACT IN OPPOSITION	SUPPORTING EVIDENCE
50. Despite these disclosures, the CIA currently	See Ex. 38 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 46
maintains a blanket policy of non-disclosure with	(internal CIA memo in response to a
respect to PDBs regardless of age and content.	specific request made by a Peter
	Pesavento for certain PDBs and CIBs
	the week before and after the 1969
	moon landing, wherein the CIA
	recommended that the request for the
	PDBs be denied "in accordance with our
	current policy.") (available at
	http://www.fas.org/sgp/advisory/iscap/ci
	<u>a050602.pdf</u>); <u>see also</u> Ex 25 at 1 to
	Blanton Decl., ¶ 31. (John Diamond,
	Few PDBs Declassified for Public, USA
	Today (April 11, 2004)(reporting that
	CIA Director George Tenet said to a
	House-Senate investigative committee
	in 2002 that it is not the content of the
	PDBs that make them sensitive but the
	fact that they are being briefed to the
	President)(available at

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2		http://www.usatoday.com/news/washing
3		ton/executive/2004-04-11-public-
4		pbds_x.htm).
5	51. A December 20, 1991 declassified report of the	See Ex. 26 at 2 to Blanton Decl.¶ 32.
6	Task Force on Greater CIA Openness to the Director of	
7	Central Intelligence Robert M. Gates states that one of	
8	the CIA's goals to keep in mind in implementing any	
9	program to improve openness is "to preserve the	
0	mystique."	
1	52. Just a year or so later, in response to a specific	See Ex. 38 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 46.
2	request made by a Peter Pesavento for certain PDBs	
3	and Central Intelligence Bulletins ("CIBs") the week	
14	before and after the 1969 moon landing, the CIA's	
15	recommended that the request for PDBs be denied "in	
16	accordance with our current policy" but that it make a	
17	"reasonable accommodation on the CIBs" so as to "be	
18	in a stronger posture to defend the PDBs "	
9	53. The State Department Historical Advisory	See Exs. 27 and 28 to Blanton Decl., ¶¶
20	Committee on Diplomatic Documentation, has	33. 34 (January 1-December 31, 2002
21	criticized the CIA's blanket policy of non-disclosure of	Report of the Advisory Committee on
22	PDBs.	Historical Diplomatic Documentation;
23		January 1-Decmeber 31, 2001 Report of
24		the Advisory Committee on Historical
25		Diplomatic Documentation).
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2	54. For example, in its 2002 Report the Committee	See Ex. 27 at 3 to Blanton Decl.
3	writes: "The Committee must continue to deplore the	
 	CIA's blanket denial of declassification of the PDBs	
• [[especially those that are thirty or more years old. The	
5	PDBs for the Nixon period should be included in [the	
	Foreign Relations of the United States (FRUS) series],	
- 11	because they provide historians with an invaluable and	
- 11	irreplaceable source for documenting high-level	
- 11	policymaking. The Advisory Committee has never	
- 11	received a satisfactory formal explanation for the CIA's	
- 11 ⊦	exemption of the PDBs from declassification."	
3	55. The CIA's own Historical Review Panel has	See Herring Decl., ¶ 6, and Ex. 1 there
<u>ا</u> ا	recommended that CIA records over 35-years-old,	(March 6, 1996 memorandum from the
11 1	including PDBs, be declassified and made public. This	Panel to the Director of Central
- 11 1	recommendation was based on the collective judgment	Intelligence).
- 11 1	that PDBs can be released after items of continued	
- 11	sensitivity or source and method information are	
	redacted. However, even as to this information, the	
	Panel recognized that the sensitivity of such	
- 11	information diminishes over time.	
2	56. The PDBs sought by Professor Berman are nearly	See Ex. 2 to Berman Decl.,¶ 13.
3	40-years-old (August 6, 1965) and 37-years-old	
	(April 2, 1968), respectively.	
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3000 Central Intelligence Bulletins Have Been Declassified And These Bulletins Often Contain Similar or Identical Entries As Contained In The PDBs

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57. CIBs are another top level intelligence document	See Moyers Decl., ¶ 8; Berman Decl.,
created daily by the CIA for the President and other	¶ 26.
senior executive branch officials.	
58. Several thousand CIBs have been officially	See Berman Decl.,¶ 45.
released in "sanitized" form by the CIA.	
59. Some of these CIBs contain similar and	See Blanton Decl.,¶ 37; see also Moyers
sometimes identical entries as those contained in the	Decl.,¶ 8.
publicly available PDB for the same day.	
60. For example, the May 16, 1967 PDB contains the	Compare Ex. 11 at 1 to Blanton Decl. to
following entry pertaining to Laos:	Ex. 29 at 7 to Blanton Decl.
Supplies brought to the North Vietnam – Laos border during late March and April are continuing to filter into Laos toward the Plaine des Jarres. [Redacted] inside Laos report that about 36 trucks a day – the highest rate in recent months – moved west along the route between 6 and 10 May. We still believe that this is a stockpiling operation in anticipation of the rainy season.	
The corresponding CIB entry for Laos on that same	
day reads:	
Supplies brought to the North Vietnam – Laos border during late March and April are continuing to filter into Laos towards the Plaine des Jarres. Trained observers inside Laos report that about 36 trucks a day, the highest rate in recent months, moved west between 6 and 10 May. This activity along the principal route from North Vietnam still appears to be a stockpiling operation before the rainy season begins in northern Laos. [Redacted.] [Emphasis added.]	

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	2	61. The May 16, 1967 PDB contains a redaction for	<u>Id</u> .
	3	the source of information but that source – "trained	
	4	observers" – is fully disclosed in the officially released	
	5	May 16, 1967 CIB.	
	6	62. The entries for Ecuador and Egypt in the May 16	Compare Ex. 12 at 1 and 2 to Blanton
	7	PDB and May 16 CIB are also virtually identical.	Decl. to Ex. 29 at 7 and 8 to Blanton
	8		Decl.
	9	63. The April 1, 1968 PDB – one day before the PDB	Compare Ex. 4 at 4 to Blanton Decl. to
	10	at issue in this lawsuit – contains the following entry	Ex. 30 at 10 to Blanton Decl.
<u>-</u>	11	for Cyprus:	
ELLP	12	Prospects for talks between	
AIN	13	representatives of the Greek and Turkish communities are better now than at any	
EM	14	time since the outbreak of violence in late 1963. Preliminary contacts between	
TR	15	the two groups have been sided by the steady decrease in tension since last	
VIS WRIGHT TREMAINE	16	November. Much distrust remains, however, and no easy solution to the	
VRIC	17	basic problem is in sight.	
IS V	18	The corresponding entry in the April 1 CIB on Cyprus	
DAV	19	reads:	
П	20	Prospects for talks between representatives of the Greek and Turkish	
	21	communities are better than they have been at any time since December 1963	·
	22	when violence disrupted the existing uneasy political situation on the	
	23	island. Preliminary contacts between the groups have been aided by the steady	
	24	decrease in tension since last November. Much distrust and suspicion remains	
	25	between the two communities, however, and no easy solution of their	
	26	basic differences is in sight. [Redacted]. [Emphasis added.]	
	27	64. The April 1, 1968 PDB and the April 1, 1968 CIB	Compare Ex. 4 at 3 and 4 to Blanton
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	2	contain similar entries for Panama and Egypt.	Decl. to Ex. 30 at 5 and 9 to Blanton
	3		Decl.
	4	65. The August 7, 1965 PDB – one day after the PDB	Compare Ex. 5 at 3 to Blanton Decl. to
	5	at issue in this lawsuit – contains the following entry	Ex. 31 at 7 to Blanton Decl.
	6	on South Vietnam:	
	7	There has been no significant change in	
	8	the situation at Duc Co in Pleiku Province, where South Vietnamese	
	9	airborne troops are trying to eliminate Viet Cong harassment of a government paramilitary camp.	
	11	The August 7, 1965 CIB contains four pages of	
LLP	12	partially-redacted text on Vietnam, with maps of both	
NE	13	North and South Vietnam. Portions of the entry on	
TREMAINE	14	South Vietnam read:	
IRE	15	Following a Viet Cong mortar and small	
	16	arms attach during the night of 5-6 August, heavy fighting was reported	
VIS WRIGHT	17	yesterday between two Vietnamese airborne battalions and Viet Cong forces	
WR		near the government's paramilitary camp	
IS	18	at Duc Co, located along Route 19 in Pleiku Province. The government	
ΑV	19	battalions, flown in on 2 August to	
Ŋ	20	eliminate the almost daily Viet Cong harassment of the camp since early June,	
	ı	have thus far killed 67 Viet Cong, while	
	21	sustaining moderate to heavy casualties.	
	22	Elsewhere, government forces have	
	23	inflicted significant losses on Viet Cong units in three large-scale ground	
		operations. A road clearing operation	
	24	along Route 1 in Phu Yen Province has thus far resulted in 37 Viet Cong killed	·
	25	and 67 weapons captured, while enemy	
	26	casualties in two recently terminated search and destroy operations in Quang	
		Ngai and Binh Dinh Provinces totaled 60	
	27	killed and 14 captured. Government losses in all three operations were one	
	28	killed and 14 wounded. [Redacted]	

The CIBs and Afternoon Summaries of August 6, 1965 and April 2, 1968

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66. The CIB of August 6, 1965, the same date as one	See Ex. 32 to Blanton Decl.,¶ 41.
of the PDBs at issue in this lawsuit, has been released	
by the CIA in sanitized form pursuant to the mandatory	
declassification review process.	
67. The CIB of April 2, 1968, the same date as one of	See Ex. 33 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 42.
the PDBs at issue in this lawsuit, has been released by	
the CIA pursuant to the mandatory declassification	
review process.	
68. The Afternoon Summaries, prepared by the	See Exs. 34 and 35 to Blanton Decl., ¶
Department of State for the Secretary of State and the	43.
undersecretaries, for these days - August 6, 1965 and	
April 2, 1968 – have also been released under the	
mandatory declassification review process.	

Many Presidential Briefings And Declassified Intelligence Documents At Least As Sensitive As The PDBs Are Already Available To The Public

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69. Vast amounts of information, including	See Berman Decl., ¶ 38.
presidential deliberations and CIA created intelligence	
reports and analysis available in the eleven Presidential	
Libraries and the Nixon Presidential Materials.	
70. In the President Lyndon B. Johnson Library alone	<u>Id.</u>
there are publicly available National Security Files,	
which reflect Presidential deliberations during the Gulf	
of Tonkin attacks in 1964, and the files of the	

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	2	American embassies overseas, U.S. regional military	
	3	commands, especially the MACV, and the uniformed	
	4	military services.	
	5 6 7 8 9	74. The Virtual Vietnam Archive at Texas Tech	See Berman Decl.,¶ 39; see also Ex. 17
		University contains a CIA Agency Collection, which	(a print out of Finding Aid to Virtual
		includes declassified document relating to the Vietnam	Archive) and
		War, including intelligence reports, memorandum and	http://star.vietnam.ttu.edu/starweb/vva/s
		other communications regarding POW sightings and	ervlet.setweb.
	10	identification.	
<u>-</u>	11	75. Daily morning briefings by Secretary of State	See Ex. 36 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 44.
ELI	12	Henry Kissinger to President Richard Nixon have been	
AIN	13141516	declassified and are publicly available.	
VIS WRIGHT TREMAINE LLP		76. Verbatim quotes from briefings by CIA director	See Ex. 37 to Blanton Decl., ¶ 45.
TTF		William Webster and National Security Advisor Brent	
HD]	16	Scowcroft to President George H. W. Bush appear in	
WR	17	the joint Bush-Scowcroft memoir, A World	
VIS	18	Transformed (1998, p. 590.).	
)A	19	77. Information around the time of the requested	See Berman Decl., ¶¶ 29-37 and Exs. 8-
	20	PDBs has also been declassified and is publicly	16.
	21	available.	
	22 23 	78. For example, a declassified March 28, 1968 cover	See Ex. 8 at 1 to Berman Decl., ¶ 29.
	23 24	memorandum from Special Assistant to the President	
	25	for National Security Affairs Walt Rostow to President	
	25 26	Johnson, states "Herewith CIA warns of a possible	
	20 27	round of widespread coordinated enemy attacks	
	28	between 28 March and April 2." The referenced	
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	2	document is a Directorate of Intelligence memorandum	 -
	3	on "Possible New Offensive in Vietnam." .	
	4	79. April 6, 1968 declassified notes of President	See Ex. 9 at 2 to Berman Decl., ¶ 30.
	5	Johnson's meeting with General Westmoreland,	
	6	include the following comments from Westmoreland	
	7	following the Tet offense, "since Tet enemy has	
	8	suffered colossal military defeat. He has lost 60,000	
	9	men and 18,000 weapons."	
	10	80. An April 4, 1968 memorandum to President	See Ex. 10 at 1 to Berman Decl., ¶ 31.
L.P	11	Johnson from Special Counsel Harry C. McPherson,	
EL	12	states "I will always kick myself for my part in our 20	
AIN	13	[parallel] problem."	
TREMAINE LLP	14	81. An August 5, 1965 memorandum to President	See Ex. 12 at 1 to Berman Decl., ¶ 33.
	15	Johnson from National Security Advisor McGeorge	
VIS WRIGHT	16	Bundy starts with, "You have said that the main item	
WR	17	on your mind is the Goldberg suggestion of a pause,	
VIS	18	but before you come to it, you may wish to have brief	
DA	19 20	reports from Dean Rusk and Bob McNamara on their	
	21	testimony and Congressional reaction this week."	
	22	82. August 5, 1965 declassified summary notes of a	See Ex. 11 at 1 to Berman Decl., ¶ 32.
	23	meeting of the National Security Council reflect that	
	24	General Maxwell Taylor informed President Johnson	
	25	that "[t]he increase in U.S. forces gave a lift to the	
	26	South Vietnamese. We do not agree with Vietnam	
	27	(South) on war aims, even though General Ky may	
	28	state, for domestic consumption, that he wants to	
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	2	memorandum to President Johnson from CIA Director	
	3	John McCone regarding the Rolling Thunder bombing	
	4	campaign, in which McCone states, "I think what we	
	5	are doing is starting down a track which involves	
	6	ground force operations which, in all probability, will	
	7	have limited effectiveness against guerrillas, although	
	8	admittedly will restrain some VC advances. However.	
	9	We can expect requirements for an ever increasing	
	10	commitment of U.S. personnel without materially	
LLP	11	improving our chances of victory." In this	
ΈΠ	12	memorandum, McCone also offered, "it is my	
AIN	13	judgment that if we are to change the mission of	
TREMAINE	14	ground forces, we must also change the ground rules of	
	15	the strikes against North Vietnam. We must hit them	
WRIGHT	16	harder, more frequently, and inflict greater damage."	
WR	17	McCone concluded the memo by stating that if he was	
VIS	18	unwilling to take these accelerated actions, "we must	
DA	19	not take the action concerning the mission of our	
	20	ground forces"	
	21	87. A few weeks later in another declassified "Top	See Ex.21at 2 to Berman Decl., ¶ 47.
	22	Secret" memorandum to the President from McCone,	
	24	which references a February 18, 1965 NIE, McCone	
	25	predicts Hanoi would seek to "secure a respite" if the	
	26	sustained bombing campaign damaged important	
	27	economic and military targets.	

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2	88. An April 30, 1965 CIA Office of National	See Ex. 22 at 3 and 4 to Berman Decl.,
3	Estimates report states, "the general outlook remains	¶ 48.
4	dreary and in some respects the dangers of the situation	
5	have increased."	
6	89. According to the CIA's own website, National	See Berman Decl.,¶ 42, n. 4; see also
7	Intelligence Estimates ("NIE") are top level national	CIA's Special Collections at
8	security intelligence documents that contain forward	http://www.foia.cia.gov/soviet_estimate
9	looking assessments analyzing specific issues of	<u>s.asp</u> .
10	national importance or crisis situations.	
11	90. A July 1, 1965 memorandum to President	See Ex. 23 to Berman Decl.,¶ 49.
12	Johnson from Secretary McNamara contains extensive	
13	analysis and recommendations regarding military	
14	options and, in general, reflects that at the highest level	
15	policy was being discussed.	
16	91. Multi-volume series on Vietnam, which contain	See Berman Decl., ¶¶ 50-53.
17	and reference numerous CIA reports and documents	
18	are also publicly available.	
19	92. For example, a series edited by William Conrad	See Ex. 24 to Berman Decl., ¶ 50.
20	Gibbons titled "The U.S. Government and the Vietnam	
21	War: Executive and Legislative Roles and	
22	Relationships," contains numerous CIA reports and	
23	documents including materials from Directors McCone	
24	and Raborn and numerous NIEs on communist military	
·) 5	capabilities.	
252627	93. The multi-volume The Bunker Papers: Reports to	See Ex. 25 to Berman Decl., ¶ 51.

See Berman Decl.,¶ 44.

Additionally, over 1,100 NIEs and other

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	2	publications prepared by the National Intelligence	
	3 4 5 6 7 8	Council, which reports to the Director of Intelligence,	
		have been declassified and made publicly available	
		through the CIA's website.	
		99. The U.S. State Department's Bureau of	See Herring Decl.,¶ 13; see also
		Intelligence and Research has also published an in	http://www.gwu.edu/~nsarchi/NSAEBB
		depth study titled Vietnam 1961-1968, which includes	/NSAEBB121/index.html.
	9	extensive discussion of intelligence subjects through	
	10	the 1960s and an annex that presents excerpts or the	
<u>-</u>	11	entire contents of document that are referred to in the	
ELLP	12	study. These include once secret excerpts of the highest	
AIN	13	level of intelligence products prepared by the	
TREMAINE	14	intelligence community on Vietnam, including daily	
	15	intelligence memoranda on Vietnam.	
WRIGHT	16	100. The U.S. State Department's Foreign Relations of	See Herring Decl.,¶ 14; see also
WR	17	the United States ("FRUS") volume on Vietnam	http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ho/frus/johnso
VIS	18	provides an extensive collection of once highly secret	<u>nlb/vi/</u> .
DA	19	State Department cables, memoranda to the president,	
	20	and records of presidential meetings disclosing	
	21	information and policy advice that was available to	
	22	Johnson when he made his decision on bombing and	
	24	troop deployment.	
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