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This is to keep me from forgetting because I may not be able to attach to this the copy of the London Sunday Times of 3/19/78 that came in today's mail. I'd taken the time to write for it on a hunch that paid off well.

Lil's present priorities are completing the retyping of the new 1996 affidavit, divided with copying the records I've indicated for copying re Dallas FO files. Only if she comes to a point where she has a few minutes will she copy this prior to completion of the larger job. But I've already indicated on it what is to be done with it.

Epstein did open up more, whether or not truthfully, with regard to his claims to having received records under FOIA, especially with the CIA as his source.

I will also carbon Paul and send him a copy. It is the entire first page of a Sunday section and half the second page.

~~XXXXXXXX~~ I also believe that Mark Lynch's failures in the Snepp case were more ~~xxx~~ serious than I indicated to you when we spoke of this several days ago. Whether or not he could have prevailed under any circumstances before his Pratt-tyoe judge ~~xx~~ he could have made a much better record for use on appeal from the obvious discrimination and even more serious consequences represented by what he could and I think should have done with the Epstein/Angleton stuff we could have provided. You can mention it if you like in the event he can use it as part of a motion for a new trial, just to get it in the record for appeal.

In simplest form this interview adds materially to what was in New York. It also includes detail not articulated before, from how he turned those people who talked to him on to the kinds of FOIA details not as explicit before to the number of his meetings with the Jesus freak. I may make an effort to attract some interest through an old friend, perhaps today because I'd do it by phone and I'm quite weary. It is easier to talk than to do other things I should be doing.

There ~~is~~ is by now a long list of those who signed the identical contract Snepp did. They also did what he did not, disclose secret, national-security type information. The means by which Epstein accomplished this are here more explicit. And there has been no suggestion of any suit against any one of them.

I also suggest that you start a new file of information we received after the close of the district-court case. Thus it would be on 7/3/78 that I received this particular interview. Prior to this date would not have made any use of it. Does this nor qualify it as "new evidence" if it is in fact evidence? I believe that because of the added explicitness with regard to what he received under FOIA it is at least a new basis for taking his deposition (the paying for which is another possibility of use I may be able to make of the Dallas FO records).

My British (non-London) source not known to you promises to keep searching for more of his interviews. I've written the trench scoundrel for a tape. (Dave Williams still has not provided the WBUR tape.) I think that in time we may get more.) But I'll not be able to make further efforts because I'm too tired and because I have too much else of immediate importance.

My tiredness is something of which I believe I have not impressed you about enough. I'll now try a different way. It simply is impossible for me to sleep in the early morning as I should. If not because of my years then from the prostate problem I'm generally up if not on other occasions about 3 a.m. I'm also generally awake about 4. Often I cannot return to sleep because my mind precludes it. The solution I've resorted to is trying to get to bed earlier. So last night I had two calls and I was wide awake at 4. I was delayed a bit getting to bed- I aim for 10, which gives six hours more or less - but I can't control the incoming calls. This means that I am not able to exercise as much once I'm up and about and that in turn seems to decrease circulation, contributing to the weariness. Because of the heavy rain I could not walk this morning. I found that 2 1/2 miles on the exercycle knocked me out for an hour, with minor discomfort where the arterial blockage is. So I used the resting time to read the 6/26 transcript in 1996 and then drafted an addition to the affidavit Lil is typing. But I've got to cut down and 1996 provides one of the means, which is why I've been after you to try to read the existing affidavit once your deadlines are past. What is in it is now more important from the transcript reading.