

Dear Mr. Huff.

1/13/85

I write you on a Sunday because this coming week my wife and I, both of whom currently have additional illnesses, have a number of extra medical appointments this coming week and, as you may recall, I spend mornings in walking (and resting) therapy. However, I have just received something that, seven years ago I would have welcomed, something that takes me back much, much farther and to earlier correspondence between you and me, which followed appeals prior to your time of which in the recent past I've provided you with copies.

You wrote me at some length on 11/13/84 and as my lengthy response indicates at first I wondered if you were for real, believing what you wrote, and then that something I specified took my eye and made me wonder. But I did write you as though I were giving you the benefit of that doubt, and I did tell you quite explicitly that your list of the remaining appeals is, without exaggeration, ludicrous. The correspondence I refer to above, which is what I write about now, is merely one of countless examples.

Yesterday I received the attached letter from INS. The notation at the end of its first graf is its, not mine. It states that only now, more than five years after the FBI notified me that it was processing my Nosenko request, has the FBI made referral to INS.

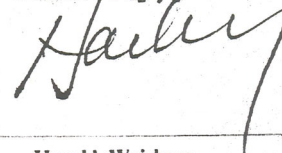
How many times have I appealed this to your office and to you, personally, over how long a period of time? How have you responded, how have you acted, if you have acted? How can you justify this? And I am not asking a rhetorical question, I mean it literally, I mean it to provide you an opportunity to make at least some kind of showing of good faith, of not stonewalling me.

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And if and when there is some kind of disclosure, can I again expect it to be in accord with the long-standing Department (and FBI) of making what I first request available at the same time, if not earlier, to someone who is more likely to be able to use it before I can and is much less likely to use it as the Department and FBI might prefer it to be sued.

Is there to be no end to this, to what I think I can without any exaggeration describe as consistent and premeditated abuse of me, my rights and my ability to serve the Congressional intent in FOIA and make information available to the people, with my knowledge added?

Perhaps there are considerations of more significance to you than your personal record, your honesty and integrity, the manner in which you perform your assigned duties, or even how history will regard you and your performance in your duties. But aside from calling this to your attention, and I do not hide my belief that it is an FBI ^{FOIA} atrocity that gives the lie to everything the FBI and department have claimed, other oath and in other ways, I do want to solicit and provide some reason to believe that after all I've sent you personally, without regard to what I provided your office much earlier, you can explain your inaction, your failure to do your duty, as the enclosed clearly reflects.

Sincerely,



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