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Dear Mr. Moschella,

If the 55 cross-references to Click (your letter of the 11th) are to short records, perhaps the easiest thing would be to process all. Your letter provides no indication of their nature or filing. And you still have not informed me of any search for Director Hoover's comment on my Rohm & Haas story, which, along with other related correspondence, you did provide.

My chief interest is what relates, directly or indirectly, to me and my writing. The first, on Jan Bata and his shoe companies, bore my name. When I declined to change my name it did not appear on later articles. Mostly these dealt with Nazi cartels and their interference with defense efforts. The last, which appeared two or three months before the attack on Pearl Harbor, forecast it and much of the Japanese attacks. (If I remember correctly, I was wrong in indicating an attack on the Amur River line in Siberia but right for the most part.) The issue after that which carried the Rohm & Haas story had a page of excerpts from favorable letters, including a brief excerpt from Mr. Hoover's. It also had a picture of me going into Thurman Arnold's office. Several of the corporations I exposed were vested after my articles appeared, whether or not there was a cause-effect relationship. I also gave the Department investigative results for stories I did not write. I know this included the I.G. Farben synthetic gas/rubber cartel and I believe it included a stainless steel cartel.

Moe Annenberg was then in jail and Walter was running his publishing operations. I was peripherally involved in efforts on Moe's behalf.

The Department never returned the photostats I loaned it detailing the I.G. Farben cartel. Quin Shea suggested that Joe Borkin kept them and used them in his book. I do not know whether copies were provided to the FBI in that pre-xerox era. Borkin then was an Arnold assistant.

I am aware that the actuality, this work having begun well before the Nazi attack on the USSR, what was known as the shibboleth period, does not conform to the FBI's party line on me but I would like any such records you may have for the archive I am leaving. My family mislaid my own records when I was in the army.

The foregoing is also true, in a sense, about other matters to which you have not responded. I want them for completeness. I recognize that they can be somewhat embarrassing because they are not true. I refer to ignored repeated requests and appeals for the underlying records which state falsely that I had a personal relationship with a Soviet national inside that embassy and that it sent people up to see me. References to these records were disclosed to me and the above language is in them. Some appears to be misrepresentation of telephone intercepts and there has now been official disclosure of their existence. I do not recall whether the photographing, which was well known at the time, has been officially disclosed. Mail intercepts also have been disclosed officially, I have written about this and received no answer from the FBI or on appeal. For the most part, if not entirely, these relate to publication. Some of what I later learned from those who wrote me never reached me after interception. I am aware that at least in part the FBI was doing this for the CIA from the Church hearings. FBI officials testified there.

Oh, yes, Click and I were involved in House Patents Committee hearings which were suppressed by that committee but leaked to Rohm & Haas, which used them. Hugh Scott was then a Congressman and was involved. I think he is deceased.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

