

Dear Jim,

1/16/89

You had a good hunch. I've checked the file I've been keeping in my office because of my problems with stairs and I find what you suspected, that the FBI had arbitrarily given a new FOIPA number to an old request. Not only that, but I protested their doing it - and forgot it. I assume, but can't be sure, that there are no essential records that I took to the basement.

In going through the file I also discovered that I may have failed to send you a copy because several xeroxes were paperclipped to the FBI's original. I attach one. Except for sending you a copy and making a subject filing I can't think of any reason for making the copies.

They said, in 1986, that they were then searching. and don't disclose for three years?

After hearing from Moschella under date of 1/17/87 I wrote him at some length the next day. He then sent me what I'm sure I sent you, a copy of my CLICK article on "ohm& Haas - and it included the magazine's letter to Hoover that he responded to and they still withhold his response. If you don't have this let me know and I'll make and send you a copy of it.

The did also assign a separate number to my renewal of my request for CLICK records. It is # 280,521.

This can possibly account for one part of the recent disclosure but if you'll look at what I sent you I'm pretty sure you'll find the other records are disclosed as part of someone else's "Gregory" case request. Although I had nothing to do with that I've a hunch that, rather an unclear recollection that Maurice Halperin, who was my boss first in my second job at OSS, was allegedly involved, via Bentley. So that could be how they located and processed those records for someone else.

How come I'm not as suspicious as you about their tricks and assorted dishonesties?

I should have had the same suspicion - and didn't.

Best,

