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Dear Jim.

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In the past month much accumulated on my desk again and I'd just started to try to clean it up when I came upon what you have, Huff's 8/10 to me and my sharp response of three days later.

His letter, which was probably written by Phyllis Hubbell, who had to know other and better than the letter said, made the unsolicited promise to respond as soon as possible after hearing from me.

Since then, I've heard not a word.

I suggested that the FBI and Department be joined in any suit against the CIA for its JFK assassination records. The subject matter of the Haff correspondence is the Oswald-Mexico stuff so it fits perfectly.

As does the negligence or worse.

Huff/Hubbell have greatly strengthened the case.

And if we by any chance drew a decent judge (are not some now handling similar if not related cases?) he/she should be outraged, even in today's climate.

I am aware of the virtually meaningless sanctions in the amended Act, but as I have told you, some years ago you sent me a decision in a District federal court case in which the plaintiff sued for failing to perform an assigned function. That is something separate from an FOIA request at the administrative level, as I see it.

Isn't there some kind of index you can consult to get the title of that case? Then you and I could both locate our copies and decide if it has melevance. Now is the time to take initiatoves and they should be bold and forceful.

The appeals mechanics of the CIA are guilty of the same offenses, only less specifically in recent correspondence.

Quite a records?

Best.