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Dear Harold

We arrived back from a week spent at the beach last Friday evening and I found your very welcome long long letter and aerogramme waiting for me. Thank YOU very much for again taking the time to carefully answer my questions, I am very grateful and I wish I could repay you.

I am enclosing copies of some of my recent correspondence which I am sure will interest you, including a copy of my letter to Dr McKnight. I dropped the review piece off at the "NZ Herald" yesterday and was pleased to hear the features editor say he was well satisfied with what I had written, although I was not happy with the restrictions I had to work within. At first I was asked to do the three books in 300 words! I pleaded for 600, then 500, and finally was given 400 as the final length. What I submitted yesterday was 444 words, but they say it <sup>will</sup> do as is. Whew! It is so frustrating to be limited like this to a few words.

I am really appalled by what I read in Posner's book, much worse than I had imagined it would be. I find it hard to believe that such a book could be written and then published. It must be that he had friends in places of influence who helped him all the way to the point where it is now, in the shops. If I can see many things wrong with Posner's book, and in a few cases blatantly dishonest, how much more that is bad must you be able to see.

Robert Groden's book was a big big disappointment to me, I thought the photographic evidence, which he is supposed to be so knowledgeable about, would be discussed dispassionately and scientifically. It was not. Have you seen the book? It is a real mishmash of conspiracy theories.

One thing I have been thinking more of lately is the role of the Secret Service, and it seems very likely to me that they, or somebody in a position of authority inside the service and probably close to the White House, had to be involved after if not before the 22nd November 1963. I cannot conceive however that any complicity could have included people such as Greer or Kellerman, surely their close contact with Kennedy must have engendered a high degree of personal loyalty to him? One is still left wondering though at things like Greer's slow reaction to the shots, and what almost looked as if he was waiting until the final shot before accelerating away. It can only be matter of incredibly poor training and preparation?? What do you think? Or is this the \$64.00 question, with no answer? I would like to know what you think about the scale of likely involvement by the secret service.

I have had more contact with Don Craig, from the University of Canterbury, and I am getting on well with him. I am going to be attending a meeting in Christchurch sometime in March and while I am down there I will stay with him for part of the time. It will be interesting.

Have you contacted David Wrona yet? It would be great if I was able to peruse his course material too. I am getting excited now at the prospect of running a course on the assassination, even though it may not start until next year. And having access to the material experienced university teachers like Gerald McKnight and David Wrona use will give me all the confidence to go through with it, even if some of the more conservative academics scoff at it, and at me.

I am enclosing also herewith the copy of the story on the book by Australian author Colin Davies you asked me to send you. I will send you copies of my two letters and review in whatever form they are published.

All for now, I will be looking forward to hearing from you again soon.

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to you both,

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