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Notes with last period. A few points for clarification.

@ Point to make: WC attitude toward Hoover. There certainly was one of trepidation. . . .He could ruin you w/his private files.

You all had that right to one degree or another.

The other factor was that had they alienated Hoover he could have had really handicapped the WC by having his agents strike their investigation . . .Let the WC round up its witnesses and evaluate the evidence.

The WC would be dead in the water . . . .Hoover let the Commission know that this was a Damocles Sword hanging over its head on several occasions. . . .

@ You all had done a good job on the September 18<sup>th</sup> Executive Session that Russell forced on Rankin and Warren . . .

Basically: With Russell we have the first dissenter of the WC concoction of the Kennedy assassination.

SHIFT TO NOTES:

Attached