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Dear Fred,

Forgive me if this reply to your letters of the 11th and the 14th is telegraphic but I am carrying a cruel workload at the office which leaves me short of time, short of energy, and with a scrambled brain.

There was no particular reason for my characterizing Admiral B. as a paper doctor—it was just an impression that formed long years ago based probably on what the H & E mentioned about him (very little) and his seemingly passive role at Parkland and Bethesda, based on fact that JFK seemed to be under medical care of that woman doctor Janet someone, rather than the Admiral, and perhaps based also on what I may have read into remarks (or lack of remarks) by Wecht and/or Nichols. In short, just my personal impression which I can no longer trace back to explicit origins.

I didn't intend to send the confidential letter to anyone, just wanted to know if I should be guarded in conversation. Will not send it, just no time to get to the xerox etc.

About the radio logs which I purchased from Lifton—they are actually outlines of the contents, not verbatim, and unfortunately I have marked them extensively with high-lighter pen which may produce blurred xerox copies. I am enclosing herewith the inventory for KBOX so you can decide whether or not it is useful. If so, copy and return, and I will then send you KRLD etc. if you want them, in two or three installments if that is okay; otherwise, the bulk of the whole set would mean a trip to the post office, which I simply could not squeeze in just now.

Enjoyed talking to you and Marlynn (apologies if misspelled),

Hastily, warm regards,