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Dear Tom,

Thank you for sending me your Memo on the Warren Report. I am working now on the galleys of my book, trying hard to meet (or beat) the deadline, yet scarcely able to ignore the highly worrying events in the Middle East and at the UN. I will put your paper aside for the moment, to read carefully as soon as I finish the galleys.

I am hopeful that your presence in New Orleans will exert an influence in the direction of care and foresight in assessment of evidence and in public statements. A great deal is riding on events there—it could mean a bad setback or even irreversible damage to the whole effort of establishing the truth about the WR and about Dallas 11/22/63.

I've had no information that might indicate what is going on at LIFE, nor have I heard from Dick Sprague for a while. Did you see the New Yorker story, "The Buffs"? It was generally quite "friendly" to the critics; but what is important is the evidence, not the personalities or private lives of the individuals who have challenged the WR. This magazine is too light-weight to be interested in the underlying issues; and I suppose that we should be grateful, and I am, not to be charged with scavenging or crass commercialism or paranoia.

The last issue of the States-Item that I received~~x~~ indicates that Shaw and his lawyers are going on a counter-attack. If your suspicion is correct and there is no evidence other than Russo and/or Bundy (the so-called "Code" is simply unusable), it is hard to see how the situation can be saved.

Do stay in touch, Tom. As you know, I wish you all the best of luck in your new assignment. Warm regards,