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to Sylvia Meagher	subject
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message

Dear Sylvia:

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Some recently declassified information made available at the Archives throws interesting new light on Gen. Edwin Walker. It deals with his telephonic communications with the German newspaper that published the story about Oswald having attempted to shoot Walker. I shall not go into details here, but it reveals several striking inconsistencies with Walker's testimony in Vol. 11, sufficient in my mind to merit a thorough new look at the Walker group and the information concerning them.

On page 385 of your book, you mention an association between Surrey and Hosty, which raises all sorts of possibilities. Since you attribute the information to Penn Jones' paper, I am writing to Texas to find out what else I can learn down there. But I wondered if you yourself have acquired anything more along these lines that might corroborate or amplify the original information. Any suggestions?

If you wish to see it, I can make copies of this newly released material, plus some other which is relevant but unpublished. Let me know if you want it.

Sincerely,

signed_ 306 Swith

reply

Dear Beb Smith,

4 March 1971

What you tell me is interesting. I knew nothing about the Hesty/Walker matter beyond what is in my book, although I seem to recall that when Penn Jones was in New York in the summer of 1966 I made a point of asking him in conversation about Surrey's statement, and that Penn confirmed that the statement had been made to him. I would of course be interested in seeing the newly declassified material which you were good enough to offer, provided that it does not impose inconvenience on you. I would be glad to read and return the papers in question but any other arrangement that you may prefer will be fine. Many thanks for your note,

Sincerely,

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Sylvia Meagher

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RECEIVER: Reply, retain buff copy, return pink copy.