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Miss Sylvia Maegher 302 W. 12th Street New York, N. Y. 10014

Dear Miss Meagher:

A number of assassination students, "buffs", experts or what have you, from all parts of the country, have decided to band together in a formal organization in an attempt to increase our chances of solving both the general and specific assassination problems. It is our hope in taking this action that we might (1) improve our means of exchanging information; (2) obtain financing for additional investigative work; (3) pool our strength vis-a-vis the Federal Government, particularly, the National Archives; and (4) provide our Members a modicum of physical protection by "going public".

The idea formed recently at a three-day round-table discussion in New Orleans between Jim Garrison and staff, <u>Bill Turner</u>, <u>Richard Sprague</u> and me. With just these few sitting around a table, we progressed a long way toward finding solutions to many specific problems that had seemed almost insoluble.

We believe that if most of the responsible persons in the field will join together and work closely together, we will maximize our chances of success; hence, the new Committee to Investigate Assassinations. We hereby invite you and urge you to join with us as an active member in the new organization.

A copy of the Articles of Incorporation (as well as a list of those invited to join) is enclosed.

You will note that your duties and responsibilities as a Member are minimal. We would hope, however, that we could count on your active participation and cooperation. We realize that certain of the invitees have a natural proprietary and/or literary right in certain parts of their research; we will attempt to honor scrupulously any desire to protect such right; and, consequently, we urge you not to turn down our plea on this account.

I shall be away from the country for several weeks but am hopeful of having your acceptance in my mail upon my return.

On behalf of the other originators of this idea, I remain,

Gratefully yours,

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Bernard Fensterwald, Jr.

Enclosures