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Mrs. Sylvia Meagher 302 West 12th Street New York, New York 10014

Dear Mrs. Meagher:

You were so kind to reply to my first letter that it is unforgivable for me to have allowed so much time to go by with no reply. At first, I was waiting until Bob Ruark set a definite date for you on the radio. He has promised me (several times) he will contact you for that purpose. He does have your name, address and telephone number; I have given them to him three times. No doubt there are circumstances that have prevented this so far and I do not know what these may be, although I can surmise.

Then there was the work on the CDs. It has developed into a bigger job than I anticipated when I began. Steffen has send me a copy of of your negative list for which I am most grateful. By comparing it with what I have done, I find a number of CDs have been overlooked by me. As Steffen has already done, I am sure, let me assure you that what you have sent has been and will continue to be treated as your property and not distributed hither and yon with some kind of gay abandon.

Enclosed is a copy of our index by pages to CD 85. This is the way I have been doing all of them. It all began when Steffen complained about something incomplete in one of the last five volumes. I thought I would help him just a little and really stuck my foot in it. Now he sits and cracks a whip over me any time there appears to be a lessening of the output.

If you would care to offer any comments or suggestions, favorable or otherwise, please don't hesitate to do so. We are not embarking on any commercial venture. If others should find this of value to them, we would work out some way to make it available at absolute cost. There is always the possibility, however, that Steffen and I will find it more useful than others might. Our only ambition is to contribute whatever we can toward exposing this fraud that has been forced upon all of us in hopes we will eventually regain our government.

This morning I read in our paper that Louis Lomax is suggesting a "Warren-type" investigation of the assassination of Martin Luther King. By this time, I am confident you have written to inform him that this is exactly what has been done so far and that any information the FBI has developed to date will not be willingly released by them to any other investigative body - no matter who may constitute that body. I know of no one else who could convey a correct assessment of the situation and in a way he could not discount.

As you know, Steffen has provided me with copies of his correspondence with you. You were concerned with the fact that you had written an article about the two assassinations prior to receiving a copy of my letter to Steffen on the same subject.

Mrs. Meagher, you have my permission to use, with or without attribution, anything I write that may be sent to you by either Steffen or me if you find it of value. If I should come up with anything worthwhile, it would do no one any good and contribute nothing if it remained locked in private correspondence. At the moment I cannot believe I will discover any new information or bring up new theories, but should this happen, I don't know of anyone more capable of presenting it more effectively than you.

At the time of my first letter, I had not yet read your book. I have now done so and am impressed with your ability. It is inconceivable that anyone can read what you have written and still fail to sense the enormity of what has taken place. This has been one drawback so far as your appearance on Bob Ruark's program. I heard a caller promise him that a copy of your book would be brought to the station so he could read it. After waiting quite some time without hearing either you or your book mentioned on the air, I phoned Bob and learned the man did not bring the book so I offered him my copy if he could pick it up. He has not done so yet. I also suggested that one of the bookstores here might let him have a copy and then learned they did not have any in stock. That is where things are at the time.

This letter is not so coherent as I would like but there are reasons. I am essentially a night-person and have been all my life. Six weeks ago my husband changed his line of work. He has been a musician and entertainer and decided he would go into selling pianos and organs and teaching. This has turned my world upside down and has made it necessary to do my letter-writing in the morning - which is like the middle of my night. I have been quite happy, therefore, to leave the correspondence to Steffen. He expresses things so much better anyway.

Thank you so much for everything you have done. I hope we can be of assistance to you in some way. And I hope we hear from you soon on the radio.

Kindest regards,

Helen G. Hartmann