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Dear Paul, Hoch

Someone sent me a xerox copy of Belin's book, some time ago. It was a very poor copy and to spare my eyes I looked for his treatment of the Charles Givens affair. When I realized that Belin was so intellectually dishonest as to ignore completely the charges made in the Givens matter and that he merely reiterated the stale and sleazy fictions of the Warren Report, I decided not to buy his book and to leave it to others to demolish him.

Jerry Policoff, whom you may already know, just sent me a copy of an excellent 5-page letter he has written to the editor of a magazine called MORE in which he exposes the collusion between Harrison Salisbury/New York Times and Belin and also Priscilla Johnson McMillan.

Thank you very much for your offer of the material you describe in your letter of the 17th. I will keep it in mind. However, I am no longer very active in the research or the writing on the case, although, of course, I will always remain interested in new developments. The younger generation is gradually taking over the work of the first-generation critics, as witness the acceptance of the Howard Roffman book for publication, Policoff's efforts, and your own successful probings.

I feel sure that Policoff would be glad to let you have a copy of his letter. His address is

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Jackson Heights, N.Y. 11377.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sylvia Meagher