

February 14, 1976

Dear Sylvia,

Thanks for sending me the pages from the Ball-Belin report. They generally confirmed the impression I got when I skimmed this document at the Archives: that the authors had pretty much just compiled the available documents, without putting in much thought. I'm glad to have those pages for the record, in case we have to challenge Belin on these details.

Naturally, things did not go like clockwork at Random House, so the hardcover edition did not appear ~~at~~ yesterday. We are now promised both editions on 2/20. We'll see. There have been no developments (that I know of) re Belin.

Enclosed is the article George and I did for the Saturday Evening Post, and an unpublished piece Russ wrote about the FBI's Oswald files. I'm glad that George was able to put together a publishable piece on the Odio-Veciana link, and that the information is out in accurate form. Schweiker doesn't seem to be too interested - which is understandable, since it is a subtle and complicated matter.

The Archives has just told me that, as a result of the regular 1975 review of withheld CD's, some 2702 pages have been made available (many with deletions). If you are interested in getting into this material, or hear of someone who is, I would like to get together and cut down costs. (I can get Xeroxing for about 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>¢ here, and I would be willing to do the copying myself.) I am ordering about 650 pages of what seems to be the most interesting CD's; there is about 1000 pages more which I would like to see eventually if I can reasonable afford it. (The Archives is charging 15¢/page now.) Of course, even if you are not planning to get into this material yourself, I will let you know if I find anything particularly interesting in it.

Sincerely,

*Paul*

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