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Dear Sylvia,

David Lifton ~~xxxx~~ mentioned to me that when he saw the anthology in a large department store in L.A., your book had already sold out. Sounds good! I'm pleased that Random House actually got the ads printed, with our names spelled right~~x~~ and everything.

Enclosed are a couple of pages from the Random House spring list, obtained through sources outside RH. For our book, they used what I recall as an early draft of the jacket copy, before we saw it and pointed out that the American public ~~x~~ hasn't swallowed the demented-loner stories, and that the Warren Commission didn't ignore the LHO-informant story. For your book, they promoted Schweiker to chairman of the Church Committee.

Also enclosed is item 309 ~~xxxx~~ from the just-released CIA file (which you may have seen AP stories on). In RH's defense, I should note that we have no evidence that DDP did anything upon learning of Sauvage's book (not that they would tell us if they did.) Also, I'm sure there were good reasons for not wanting to publish a pre-Warren Report book once the Report was out, although the letter Sauvage quotes (p. 399-400 of his book, enclosed) doesn't seem to mention any of those good reasons.

One aspect of the CIA documents which particularly interests me is some documents indicating that Shannon of the Rockefeller Commission considered my CIA memo "worthy of examination;" that the RC's way of investigating my allegations about the CIA was to give them the document for comments; that the CIA did comment, apparently in some detail; and that most of their response is still withheld. I've asked ~~xxx~~ for more under the FOIA.

Ross Ralston just called me and mentioned that he has some additional documents on Belin and Givens. Apparently there were a couple of changes made in the transcript of the deposition which Ralston considers significant. If you don't already have this, I'll pass it on when I get it.

Sincerely,

*Paul*

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