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Dear Sylvia:

Many thanks for your letter of the 10th which arrived on Friday.

I've now gone through all the indexes to get them ready for the students. I've crossed out all the material for the subject section, leaving only the names which they'll do. I'm now in the process of going over the names to pick up any errors, but mostly to break down some of the larger entries into sub-headings where this wasn't done. I'm hoping to have this finished in a few days so I can give each of the students a full set of corrected indexes along with a stack of note sheets. I see no reason why they couldn't have them done and back to me by the first week in December or so. Then I can type them up. Meanwhile, I'll be trying to put together the "subjects."

I agree that it makes sense to have only three listings for the volumes ("R," I, II, III, etc., and L/A I-II) and I'd been thinking along those lines myself. Last night I put together a sort of mock-up of a couple of name headings to see what it would look like. Unless you think otherwise, I'll go ahead and type the final copy up in roughly this form (N.B., these aren't complete and many of the citations are mythical; I only wanted to see what a couple of entries would look like).

Perhaps I should wait on doing those explanatory paragraphs for Sections 2 & 3 until I start to put them together. No doubt there'll be some points I'll want to include that I haven't thought of yet. At present, my thinking is that Oswald and Ruby should go in the "Subject" section, both because of size and nature of entries, and also to be consistent with your WC Index. Also, I think it would be a good idea to group as much as possible under large headings (e.g., Acoustics, Autopsy, etc.) so that researchers working on such areas can have it all grouped conveniently. Specific items will be listed separately, but referenced to the larger heading (e.g., "Sirens, see Acoustics Analysis."). Any thoughts on any of this?

Better get back to it. Will let you know how things are going in a few days.

Best regards,

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P.S. You're right about Sergio A. Smith, of course. Don't know why I thought he should appear under "Smith" other than the fact that my ignorance of Spanish always made me blind to the fact that Arcacha was his proper surname.

Fithian, Rep. Floyd J.,

I, 1, 141, 375; II, 1, 66, 93, 111, 133, 136-7, 139, 198, 205, 285, 316,
344-5, 347, 366, 369, 371, 386, 397, 419, 422, 489; III, 1, 195, etc...
Examination of witnesses: I, 54-5, 59 (Connally), 137 (Groden), 318-19 (Baden),
360-1, 365-6 (Wecht), 416, 422-4 (Sturdivan); II, 69-90, 104-5 (Barger),
125-8 (Green), 130-1 (Hartman), 151-2 (McCarthy), 195-6, 200-2 (Canning),
294-7, 312-14 (Marina Oswald Porter), 346 (White), 388-93, 396 (McNally),
etc....

Trafficante, Santos,

R, 151-4, 156, 169, 172-5, 179; III, 269; IV, 122, 139, 497, 564; V, 10,
105-8, 148, 161, 163, 165-6, 171, 240, etc...
Testimony, V, 346-7
and CIA/Mafia Plots, R, 151-4, 156; V, 247-9, 253-8, 309-11 etc...
Possible Motive/Involvement in Assassination, R, 172-5; V, 381-93 etc..

Truly, Roy,

R, 57-8; XII, 502, 517-19, etc...

Turner, Adm. Stansfield,

II, 488-9, 521; VIII, 19, 374, 223; X, 27; XI, 105-6, 147, 319-22, etc.....