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Dear Sylvia:

Many thanks for your letter of Dec. 29 which arrived this morning. I was glad to learn that you liked the subject index. Frankly, I've been so enmeshed in it these past months that I was beginning to wonder whether it would be intelligible to anybody. It's really gratifying to know that it makes sense!

Here's the rest of the subject index with, by the way, corrections made to those pages I sent you earlier. I've been through it a number of times looking for errors and no doubt I've still missed a few. Please go through it and make any corrections, suggestions, and changes you think necessary. I'll re-type them for the final copy.

One small point I should note: I decided to put your references to "Handgun" in Vol. II under "Revolver, (CEL43)" realizing that to do so implies the handgun in the Backyard photos is indeed CEL43. I did this simply to avoid ~~having~~ the confusion of having separate entries for "Handgun" and "Revolver." I'll leave it up to you to decide how we should do it for the final copy.

I've incorporated your corrections and changes in your letters of Dec. 28-9. Probably the simplest way to handle those Spanish names that might cause problems for researchers would be to cross-reference them; e.g. under "Cardona, Jose Miro" the note "see, Miro Cardona, Jose". I'm starting to type the Name Index today and will first go through and make such changes on a selective basis.

The name entries look to be about double those of the subjects, though I think they'll go faster because most of them don't have that many citations. If all goes well, I should be finished with them in a week or ten days. Two weeks at most.

The changes you made in the Explanatory Note are perfectly fine with me. I'm enclosing a copy of the Acknowledgements and Abbreviations.

That's about all I can think of for now, except to note that I'm upset, as I'm sure you are, with the continued refusal to release the rest of the Committee's material. I've written Rep. Fithian urging him to petition the Clerk of the House to get something started, though I'm sure it won't do much good. Seems to me some concerted effort must be made by researchers to get this stuff out.

Anyway, I'd best get the index xeroxed and off to you.

All the best,

*Sony*