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Dear Paul,

I am grateful for your letter of the 4th and for all the indexes you returned--gratitude that I cannot express too often. It has saved me immense time and effort, to be spared the xeroxing and the distribution, and has thus allowed me to concentrate on the indexing per se. I have now completed all the volumes (including the Legislative and Administrative Reform) and Gary Owens is half-way through Vol. V. When that is complete, we will have finished the whole 14 volumes and Garry will go ahead with the amalgamation. I am now working on the "key to names" (like the "key" at the end of my Subject Index to the WR but much longer and with several wholly new categories). When that is finished, and if there is time, I will attempt to prepare a complete list of exhibits, volume by volume (as you know, I did a partial list some time ago). That is the remaining work program.

I did keep a carbon copy of every index I sent you with the exception of IX, which was such a monstrous job that I couldn't face doing a carbon as well. Happily, it did not go lost in the mails, and I have it safely back, thanks to you.

We will mention the Schweiker report and the Rockefeller Commission in a footnote to an "Explanatory Note" but I do not think we will have space for more than that. As it is, it will be quite a large volume and will incorporate a corrected version of the Subject Index to the WR.

I have no objection whatever to your supplying Fithian and/or Kinas with copies of the indexes. However, I would not consider obtaining or using a foreword from either Fithian or Blakey. I consider them still more or less adversaries and not colleagues and I do not want them associated with my work. If I used any outside foreword, it could only be by a fellow-critic--you, ~~Rahar~~ or Tink, if any of you have the time or the inclination.

What news of your book? I thought your outline of the chapters was first-rate. I am really looking forward to reading it in published form and I do wish you and your co-authors success and best-selling sales.

All the best,