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Personal

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Dear Mr. Curry,

I have just read your JFK Assassination File and would be very grateful if you would be good enough to clarify the following two points.

(1) On page 73, you state that at about 4 o'clock on November 22, 1963 Oswald requested permission to use the telephone and this was arranged immediately...etc. You cite Lt. Lord's affidavit, Exhibit No. 26, in support of Oswald's use of the telephone.

However, a reading of Exhibit No. 26 on page 74 shows that Lt. Lord attested that it was at about 4 o'clock on November 23 that Oswald asked to use the telephone, and that it was on that day, Saturday, that he made his call and spoke to his party for about 30 minutes at about 8 o'clock.

Your statement on page 73 appears to be in conflict with Lt. Lord's affidavit on page 74, and I hope that you will comment on this.

(2) On pages 78 to 80, you describe the arraignment of Oswald for the murder of the President. At the top of page 80 you quote Oswald as saying "I don't know what you're talking about..."etc. May I assume that you are quoting him exactly, word for actual word, from a contemporaneous transcript or other record?

In this same connection, I enclose herewith a copy of page 400 of Warren Commission Document No. 5, which I have obtained from the National Archives at Washington, D.C., inviting your attention especially to the last paragraph on that page. You will no doubt wish to comment on the seeming contradiction between this Commission Document page and the account which appears on pages 78 to 80 of your book.

I do hope that you will find it possible to reply at an early date and to clear up these questions. With thanks in anticipation of your cooperation,

Yours very sincerely,

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