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Ms. Sylvia Meagher
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Dear Ms. Meagher:

Just got back from Dallas on Monday. Had an extremely interesting trip, to say the least.

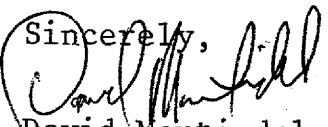
When I arrived, I contacted Mary Ferrell. She normally spends the month of August in Hawaii, but it seems she was so busy browsing through some recently released CIA documents, she hadn't quite made it when I arrived. Fortunately, we got along very well, and she proved to have a wealth of information available at her fingertips. Gordon Novel dropped in and out occasionally, and I kidded Mary that the affairs of the world are conducted at her kitchen table.

On Tuesday night, I visited Penn down in Midlothian and we talked for several hours. This was the first time I had ever seen the Zapruder film, by the way, and now I understand why it was suppressed so long.

Together both Mary and Penn gave me some excellent leads, and I spent the rest of the week tracking down death certificates, autopsy reports, newspaper clippings, police and sheriff reports, and pertinent periodicals. Understandably, I returned to Chicago with far more information than I could ever hope to incorporate into a 3500 word article.

Nevertheless, I've begun writing and will probably focus the piece on the following individuals: Warren Reynolds, Nancy Jane Mooney, Hank Killam, Jim Koethe, Bill Hunter, Tom Howard, David Ferrie, Rose Cherami, Harold Russell, Dorothy Kilgallen, Gary Underhill, and Lt. Wm. Pitzer, the autopsy photographer at Bethesda. Some of the other mysterious deaths I hope to incorporate into a brief sidebar.

I want to thank you again for contacting me, and should I need any more background information, I'll call. Will keep you posted on my progress. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

David Martindale

P.S. Would you believe it was over 100 degrees in Dallas every day?