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Dear Sylvia,

After submitting my review of the Epstien book nearly five weeks ago, I quickly learned that the Phoenix is not prone to publishing many book reviews. The current bias of the arts section is towards punk rock criticism, and it took some doing to finally get the piece published. Even then, it has been considerably shortened.

The editing ~~x~~ also resulted in a somewhat erroneous parenthetical assertion that Fedora's reliability is once again in question, according to reports from the latest Soviet defector. That may be true, but ~~x~~ I have no way of ascertaining that. I had simply told the editor about last week's New York Times report that Shevchenko, the high-ranking Soviet U.N. official, was providing information to US intelligence officers about Fedora.

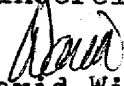
As it turned out, my review appeared at the same time as a spat of other reviews, many of them unfavorable. I've enclosed two of them - Priscilla's predictable response from last week's Sunday Globe and George Lardner's excellent piece from yesterday's Post. I'm told that the Star had two reviews, one by David Wise, and the other by Jacob Cohen. They can be sent to you from Washington, if you haven't already seen them.

Thanks for sending the excerpts from Marina and Lee on the DeMorehschildt copy of the Oswald photo. I hope the House Committee is on top of this area. There seems to be no doubt that blatant forgery was at work.

On the off-hand chance that you are contacted, I wanted to let you know that I gave your name and phone number to a representative of a New York foundation, the Stern Fund, which has shown an interest in the AIB. They may want to talk with members of the "citizen-critics" community about the AIB's work. We are hoping to secure some financial support to carry us through the fall hearings.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,


David Williams