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DEAR Ms MEAGHER,

FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, FOR TALKING TO ME, THE OTHER DAY, ON THE TELEPHONE, AND PERMITTING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WITH YOU, PART OF MY LIFE.

YOU CERTAINLY ARE WONDERING, "WHO IS THIS GUY, WHERE IS HE COMING FROM"? WHERE I CAME FROM, MAY BE HELPFUL IN UNDERSTANDING HOW I ARRIVED WHERE Iam NOW.

Iam 54 YEARS OLD, BORN IN 1927. WHICH MEANS I WAS 2 MONTHS SHORT OF 34 AT THE TIME OF THE BAY OF PIGS INCIDENT. AND 36 AT THE TIME JFK WAS KILLED. I POINT THAT OUT BECAUSEACCE AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE ARE THE FACTORS THAT SEPARATE ME FROM MANY OF THE "EXPERTS" AND "AUTHORITIES" WHO, OVER THE YEARS, HAVE CONFUSED THE TRUTH, WITH THEIR THEORIES.

BORN IN UP-STATE NEW YORK, I GREW UP IN THE BEST OF TWO POSSIBLE WORLDS, MY FATHER WAS A GRAMMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL AND WE LIVED IN THE SUBURBS OF ONE OF NEW YORKS LARGER CITIES. SUMMERS WERE SPENT EITHER TRAVELING OR ON ONE OF THE NUMEROUS FAMILY FARMS.

MY FATHER HAD THREE"PASSIONS", PRIDE IN COUNTRY, PRIDE IN FAMILY HERITAGE, AND A LIFETIME DEVOTED TO EDUCATION.

THE PRIDE IN COUNTRY AND THE FAMILY HERITAGE GO HAND IN HAND, HE NEVER LET ME FORGET, THAT ONE OF MY ANCESTORS LANDED ON PLYMOUTH ROCK, A SIGNER OF THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT. EDMUND MARGESON DIED THE FIRST WINTER, BUT, HE WAS FOLLOWED BY OTHER MARGESONS, AND Iam THE 8th GENERATION, DECENDED FROM JOHN MARGESON, WHO WAS MARRIED IN TRINITY CHURCH, NEW YORK CITY IN 1700.

BEING TAUGHT THESE THINGS FROM EARLY CHILDHOOD, I DEVELOPED A STRONG INTEREST IN THE HISTORY OF THIS LAND, PRE-REVOLUTION AND COLONIAL. MY STUDIES OF THESE SUBJECTS BECAME A LIVING THING WHEN I TRAVELED TO SUCH PLACES AS FORT TICONDIROGA, FORT NIAGARA, ACTUALLY TOUCHED THE "BOYD AND PARKER TORTURE TREE" AT LIESTER, N.Y. STOOD OVERLOOKING "GORDUE FLATS" IN LECHWORTH PARK. OR PEERED INTO MARY JAMERSONS CABIN AT LECHWORTH

THESE EXPERIENCES WERE BROUGHT SHARPER INTO FOCUS BY MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY WHO WERE ASSOCIATED WITH AMERICAN INDIANS AT THE RESERVATION AT GOWANDA, N.Y.

I WAS TAUGHT, AND SPOKE SENECA INDIAN WHEN I WAS TEN YEARS OLD, BY A COUSIN WHO LIVED WITH THE SENECAS FOR 35 YEARS.

AS I GREW OLDER, I NEVER LOST MY INTEREST IN THESE THINGS.

EVEN WHEN I LATER STUDIED BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, ELECTRONICS AND LAW, I DEVELOPED AN INTEREST IN THE METHODS OF WARFARE USED BY THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF THIS LAND, TO DEFEND THEIR SECURITY. THIS LED TO AN INTEREST IN OTHER FORMS OF UNORTHODOX WARFARE, AT WHICH I BECAME SOMEWHAT OF AN AUTHORITY.

I FIRST MET LARRY HOWARD (LAWRENCE J. HOWARD, JR.) IN JUNE 1959.
FELLOW WORKERS AT THE COMPANY WHERE WE WERE EMPLOYED, INTRODUCED US
AFTER I HAD INQUIRED ABOUT ANYONE INTERESTED IN CAMPING, SHOOTING, AND/OR
GENERAL OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, MY STRONGEST "HOBBIES".

WE BECAME GOOD FRIENDS, I MET AND WAS ACCEPTED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS, AND HE BY MINE. FOR THE NEXT 4 YEARS WE WERE CONSTANT COMPANIONS.

I KNOW THINGS ABOUT HIM THAT CAST AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT VIEW ON MOST OF EVERYTHING THAT HAS BEEN WRITTEN SO FAR ABOUT THE ASSASSINATION OF JFK, AND THE SO CALLED INVESTIGATIONS THAT FOLLOWED.

STARTING WITH THE WARREN REPORT, WHERE HE IS FIRST MENTIONED, THE REPORT LEADS THE READER TO BELIEVE THAT HE, AND OTHERS MENTIONED, ARE BEING INVESTIGATED BY THE COMMITTEE INVESTIGATORS, IF NOT THE FBI, AT THE TIME OF THE PRINTING OF THE REPORT. NOT TRUE: IF ANY SERIOUS INVESTIGATION HAD BEEN CONDUCTED, BY ANYONE, THE INVESTIGATORS WOULD HAVE HAD TO COME TO ME. ALTHO I WAS AVAILABLE AT ALL TIME, FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, NO INVESTIGATION. (THIS RAISES THE QUESTION, WHY NOT?) TO WHICH I BELIEVE I HAVE THE ANSWER.

THRU LARRY, I MET LORAN HALL AND BILL SEYMOUR IN 1962, WHERE I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN IN DISCUSSIONS, AND ACTIVITIES, AND OBSERVE, ANALYSE AND FORM MY PERSONAL OPINIONS.

PERSONS WERE DISCUSSED AT THIS TIME, WHO WERE NOT PUBLICLY KNOWN AT THIS TIME, KNOWLEDGE OF THESE PERSONS, PLACE THE ABOVE NAMED PERSONS WITHIN A CIRCLE OF VERY SPECIAL, TIGHT KNIT INDIMIDUALS.

THINGS THAT WERE SAID DURING THESE MEETINGS IN 1962, IN ADDITION TO THINGS I HAD LEARNED ABOUT LARRY SINCE 1959, LED ME TO MY FIRST REACTION AT THE PRECISE MOMENT PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS SHOT.

THAT IS WHAT THEY WERE PLANNING.

THE NEXT DAY, I WENT TO THE PLACE WHERE LARRY WAS WORKING, AND ASKED FOR HIM, I WAS TOLD, "HE HASN'T BEEN HERE FOR 2 OR 3 DAYS, I DON'T KNOW WHERE HE IS".

IN THE WARREN REPORT, IT APPEARS THE ONLY QUESTION ASKED OF HIM, WAS ANSWERED BY, "I WAS WORKING IN MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA".

I HAD FAITH IN MY COUNTRY AT THE TIME THE WARREN REPORT WAS PUBLISHED, AND WAS AMAZED THAT SUCH AN AUGUST BODY COULD RELEASE TO THE PUBLIC SUCH A DOCUMENT. I BELIEVE THEY SHOULD HAVE PUBLISHED THE TRUTH. I KNOW WHERE THE TRUTH WILL LEAD, AND Iam SURE THE TRUTH WOULD HAVE BEEN LESS HARNFUL THAN THE PACK OF LIES THE PUBLIC HAS BEEN TOLD.

OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS I DISHISSED THE SUBJECT FROM MY MIND, I BECAME CONCERNED FOR MY SAFETY AND THAT OF MY FAMILY.

I PURPOSELY LOST TRACK OF LARRY, AND PURSUED OTHER INTERESTS.
IN 1968, TRIGGERED BY THE GARRISON INVESTIGATION, A NEWSPAPER ITEM

IN A LOS ANGELES NEWSPAPER, GAVE LARRY'S CURRENT ADDRESS, MY WIFE AND I WENT TO SEE HIM, WE MOSTLY DISCUSSED THE FAMILY ALTHO WE DID MENTION THE INVESTIGATION AND ASKED HIM IF HE WAS GOING TO GO TO NEW ORLEANS.

HE REPLIED YES BUT LATER FOUGHT EXTRIDITION.

WE EXCHANGED ADDRESSES AND DEPARTED ABOUT A HOUR LATER, AFTER MAKING SOME MENTAL OBSERVATIONS.

HE CAME TO OUR HOUSE ONCE AFTER THAT, THE LAST TIME WE SAW HIM IN PERSON, ALTHO WE SAW HIM ON NATIONAL TV NEWS, ONCE AFTER THAT.

WE MOVED TO A DIFFERENT LOCATION IN 1969 AND IN 1970 MY SECURITY WAS SHAKEN BY AN ODD INCIDENT, (EXPERIENCE HAS TAUGHT ME TO SUSPECT STRANGE INCIDENTS).

WE MOVED OUT OF THIS STATE, EVENTUALLY ENDING UP IN UP-STATE NEW YORK, WHERE WE THOUGHT WE WOULD BE SAFE IN OUR HIDEAWAY.

THIS IS WHEN I BOUGHT YOUR BOOK, AND THIS IS WHEN THINGS CHANGED.

IT WAS LIKE YOU HAD WRITTEN A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO ME, ASKING FOR AN EXPLAINATION OF THE QUESTIONS YOU ASKED. I STARTED TO WRITE DOWN WHAT I DID KNOW, THEN WHAT I SUSPECTED BASED ON WHAT I KNEW. I THEN TRIED TO DISCREDIT WHAT I SUSPECTED, UNSUCCESSFULLY, EVEN IF I THREW OUT PART OF WHAT I KNEW, IT STILL"HELD WATER".

I THEN STARTED READING OTHER AUTHORS, SOME UNCOVERED FACTS I DID NOT KNOW, SOME VERIFIED WHAT I ALREADY KNEW, AND BY APPLYING WHAT I KNEW, THAT I KNEW THE WRITER DID NOT KNOW, I WAS ABLE TO SHOW HOW THE WRITER WAS FULL OF BULL

I DISCOVERED THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE WERE WRITING STUFF THAT WAS AS UNTRUE AND HARMFUL AS THE WARREN REPORT.

UNFORTUNATELY, I MADE CONTACT WITH THEN SENATOR RICHARD SCHWEIKER TOO LATE TO BE OF ANY HELP TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE. I ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON ON THE SAME DAY THE COMMITTEE TERMINATED. HOWEVER SENATE REPORT 94-755 PUBLICLY ANSWERED SOME OF THE QUESTIONS, EVEN THO THE PUBLIC HAS NOT BEEN ENLIGHTENED TO THE QUESTIONS, YET.

I MADE MYSELF AVAILABLE TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE FROM THE VERY BEGINNING, PASSED ON A NUMBER OF FACTS TO THEM, AND WAS INTERVIEWED BY TWO OF THEIR INVESTIGATORS. BUT, STRANGE THINGS STARTED HAPPENING WITH THE STAFF, AND SOME WITNESSES, I THOROUGHLY EXPECTED TO BE CALLED AS A WITNESS, WHAT I HAD TO SAY WAS IMPORTANT TO THE CASE, BUT, I WASN'T CALLED, STAFF MEMBERS WERE FIRED, AND WHEN THE FIRST PUBLIC STATEMENTS ARE MADE, IT WAS EVIDENT THE COMMITTEE WAS FOLLOWING THE SAME TRACK AS THE WARREN COMMISSION.

ONLY AT THE END DID THEY THROW A CLOUD OVER THE ENTIRE THING BY INTRODUCING THE "SOUND TAPE" SMOKE SCREEN.

WE KNOW PRESIDENT IS DEAD, WE KNOW HE WAS SHOT

A PERSON OR PERSONS SHOT THE PRESIDENT

WASTEING 2 YEARS AND 5MILLION DOLLARS COUNTING SHOTS OR ECHOS INSTEAD OF INVESTIGATING PEOPLE WHO HAD THE MOTIVE, OPPORTUNITY AND MEANS TO KILL THE PRESIDENT, AND GET AWAY WITH IT, IS AN AFRONT TO AMERICA.

THE COMMITTEE STATED IN IT'S REPORT THAT ALL PAPERS AND EVIDENCE WOULD BE TURNED OVER TO THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.

I BELIEVE THEY WERE IMPLYING THAT THE JUSTICE DEPT. WAS GOING TO INVESTIGATE, NOT YET, THEY HAVEN T:

A JUSTICE DEPT. ATTORNEY TOLD ONE OF MY INVESTIGATORS, LAST WEEK, THAT THE HOUSE COMMITTEE HAD NOT GIVEN THEM ANYTHING, THAT HE EVEN HAD TO GO OUT AND BUY HIS OWN COPY OF THE COMMITTEE REPORT.

Iam IN THE PROCESS OF WRITING A BOOK ABOUT THIS PERIOD, IT WILL BE AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY, FIRST PERSON ACCOUNT OF THE POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL MOODS OF THE TIME. TO BE TITLED, "THE MAN IN THE SHADOW", IT WILL INCLUDE INTELLIGENTS, MERCANARIES, CIA, CUBA, POLITICAL ACTION LATIN AMERICAN STYLE, PRESIDENTS, MILLIONAIRES AND "BUMS".

I BELIEVE THAT THIS BOOK WILL GIVE THE INCREASING NUMBER OF WITNESSES WHO HAVE DIED WITHOUT EXPLAINATION, A REASON FOR THEIR DEATHS.

ONE OF THE PRIMARY BENEFITS INTENDED BY OUR FOREFATHERS WAS THAT IN AMERICA, ALL MEN HAD THE RIGHT TO LIVE A PRODUCTIVE, GAINFUL EXFE, WITH PURPOSE AND REASON. ALL MEN SHOULD BE ENTITLED TO AN EXPLAINABLE DEATH, JUST AS THE DEATH OF THE CONDEMNED MAN IS EXPLAINABLE, OR THE DEATH OF THE DRUNK DRIVER, OR EVEN THE DEATH OF A LITTLE CHILD WHO IS KILLED BY A DRUNK DRIVER IN AN ONCOMING CAR, CAN BE EXPLAINED. WHAT ABOUT THE SCORES OF WITNESSES IN THIS CASE, WHO DIED WITHOUT EXPLAINABLE REASON?

ENOUGH OF THIS FOR THIS TIME, I SEEM TO HAVE GOTTEN CARRIED AWAY .

I HOPE THIS LETTER FINDS YOU IN GOOD HEALTH AND THE HEAT IN NYC
IS NOT UNBAREABLE. OUR HEATWAVE HAS FINALLY BROKEN. I'VE BEEN IN NYC DURING
THE MONTH OF AUGUST, I KNOW HOW HOT IT CAN GET.

AGAIN I THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME "BEND YOUR EAR". HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU SOON.

SINCERELY.

RICHARD MARGESON

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