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Dear Mr. MacLellan,

You were most kind to take the trouble of sending me the translation of Mr. Zorin's article, and I do appreciate it very much. You are quite right: Valentin Zorin was at the UN for years and since I work there, his face became very familiar. He preceded Fedorenko, and if my recollection is correct, he left after suffering a heart attack or some kind of cardiac illness, about 1961 or 1962.

Zorin's hypothesis of an oil-barons' conspiracy is not unfamiliar. It was first expounded by Joachim Joesten, the author of one of the pre-Warren Report critical books. Joesten is now writing "from somewhere in Europe" a series of works, in which he alleges an LBJ/HL Hunt/oil magnates conspiracy. His material has been published in the Soviet Union, and may have made an impression there. Unfortunately, this theory is only one of several, equally logical and persuasive, with different sets of conspirators. The trouble is, none of these hypotheses are supported by specific evidence but are inferential and generalized, focused on the cui bono motif (which is valid, so far as it goes, but insufficient for even a prima facie case).

The fact that you took the pains to send me Zorin's article suggests that you must be interested in the Warren Report in general. Perhaps we can talk about the case. I'd be delighted to hear from you (Chelsea 2-4293). In any event, I do thank you very much for sending the article.

Yours very sincerely,

Sylvia Meagher