

Telephone call to Ray Marcus, Boston, Sunday night 9 pm, 8/20/67

Discussed his Wyckoff correspondence and ITEK/CIA links...Also told Ray re Lister's letter to Manhattan East...He suggested my reply might include the incident with Midgley, when he saw Moorman image as real man...I explained, too late, I had already mailed letter.

Gave me detailed report on his approach to RFK at end of May. Saw Mankiewicz, one of his top aides, in Washington...He was convinced images in Moorman real...asked Ray stay over, for the evening at least...Ray then had dinner at Mankiewicz home, with another top aide and their wives present (Bolinsky??)...All 4 convinced images were real men...On way to airport, the 2 aides discussed best way to break it to RFK...Asked Ray call back in a few days...When he did, he felt he was being stalled, was asked to call again in 2 weeks...He feels that Gurvich/Sheridan had got into the act at that point and queered things...But fact remains that he brought Garrison into it, right after his dinner with the 2 RFK aides...called him, and Garrison offered to send Jim Alcock to DC with all the evidence...When he called back initially, it was to say that he had now cleared it with Garrison, who was willing to send a man up for two days...It was at that point that he was asked to call back in 2 weeks...My own impression is that he queered things by making Garrison a partner...Ray does not agree.

He has not been in touch with Vince and knows only what Maggie heard from Vince after New Orleans trip...Ray felt that Maggie's report was generally the same as mine, but Letha disagreed, felt that as Maggie related it, Vince was not "discouraged" or "dismayed".

Ray still feels we must wait and see...even in the face of Vince's assessment...If Garrison bombs out, will not think the less of him, would still do everything the same way...would still go before the grand jury, to tell what he knows...

Feels there will be a gigantic breakthrough soon, on the No. 5 man in the Moorman photo...Discussed for a while the nature of the anterior neck wound and the timing of the first shot...Mentioned that the "breakthrough" if it comes will not be pushing his own work, since it was Lifton who found the images in the Moorman photo. Will be in NYC next weekend, will call me.