

URGENT MEMORANDUM

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This urgent memorandum is written on behalf of Allard Lowenstein as well as myself. Allard feels that there is an irresistible clamor for the re-opening of the JFK, RFK, Martin Luther King and George Wallace cases. Some kind of Congressional inquiry into these cases seems inevitable and in the near future.

There are two areas of jeopardy. First, individuals and institutions (including the major news media) with a strong vested interest in the survival of the Warren Report and the reassertion of the official findings in the other cases. Second, the flamboyant irresponsible critics and pseudo-critics who are setting up straw men which the Government can easily knock over and then use to discredit all challengers of the ubiquitous "lone assassin".

Clearly, the responsible critics must ready themselves to take advantage of the opportunity that is likely to arise quite soon for the re-opening of the four assassination cases. The task is:

- (1) to lay down strict criteria for a new investigation with which we would willingly co-operate (impartial and competent investigators, open hearings, the adversary procedure, etc.); and
- (2) to set out, for each of the four assassinations, the major areas and avenues of inquiry which should be pursued.

Could the five of us get together and try to map things out? It would have to be after the 3rd of June and before the 15th, at my place in New York if that is convenient or Philadelphia or Washington if that is more convenient to the majority. I suggest Sunday, the 8th of June, all day if possible.

Please phone me as soon as you can and let me know if this is something you are willing and able to do or if you have other suggestions. Unless there are strong reasons to the contrary, we should keep the group small and compact and keep the meeting confidential among ourselves. My phone number is 212 Chelsea 2- 4293.

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