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Dear Sylvia,

Appreciated your call tonight. I wasn't prepared to go into the motorcade shooting and I think I only confused you and perhaps gave you the impression that I run around with a lot of bizzare theories in my head. I do have enough to support this in my own mind, and a couple of months ago I wandered around in a sort of state of shock when all this fell into place.

Later on I hope to send you my reasoning on this and believe me I've tried to think of ways to explain this away, but I can't. If you were here and we had about four hours, I could drag out all my photos and documents and then I think you would see why I arrived at this. Right now I expect you to think I'm nuts.

I am enclosing a memo that is nothing but a preliminary draft of a concept that has been knocking around in my head lately. This is, by no means, well researched and is weakly documented, but I would like to get your thinking. If you think the whole thing is absurd, I won't be offended. In my business, I often submit three or four rough layouts before a finished comprehensive sketch is approved - so this should be considered as a thumb nail sketch.

The doctoring I found on the Oswald pictures and the Zapruder film naturally lead me to this concept of "doctoring" of Kennedy's body. You must admit that the widly varying wound descriptions can be accounted for either by misreporting or lying. I choose to believe that it would be impossible to have all these people lie in concert. I think we are mostly reading accurate statements about the body as viewed by two separate groups after the body had been akkeredx wounded and then re-wounded.

I hope I make myself clear here. I just read the above paragraph and I don't think I made myself clear - what I'm trying to say is the group of doctors at Parkland hospital saw the body in one condition and reported accurately about it's condition. Then, the wounds were enlarged and perhaps other wounds inflicted. Next, the doctors at Bethesda examined the body and reported accurately about it's condition. So this theory is one way to explain the contradiction between these two groups of doctors, without having to involve them in either perjury or misreporting.

Onward,

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