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Mr. Gene Roberts
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Dear Mr. Roberts:

I just received your letter dated September 20 in response to my earlier inquiries about the Times investigation of the John Kennedy assassination. I am afraid that there has been something of a misunderstanding.

You suggest in your letter that my motive in writing similar letters to you and Mr. Salisbury was a desire to elicit "different responses from different editors." The fact is that I wrote to you on August 26. After nearly three weeks elapsed, and I received no reply, I proceeded to write to Mr. Salisbury. My purpose was not to obtain conflicting responses but merely to receive an answer to my inquiries.

I am puzzled by your statement that Mr. Salisbury told you that he had written to me. I have yet to receive any communication from Mr. Salisbury. Perhaps it was lost in the mail, but in any event I have received nothing. I do not particularly care whether I receive a response from you or Mr. Salisbury since both of you were on the investigation team, but I have yet to receive an answer to my questions from either one of you, and I am anxious to proceed with my writing. So that you do not have to consult your letters file let me repeat my questions once more:

- 1) When did the <u>Times</u> investigation begin, and when was it terminated (as specific dates as possible)?
- 2) What were the findings of the investigation, if any?
- 3) Why were these findings (if any) not published?

To avoid further confusion I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Salisbury. I do hope that I will hear from either you or Mr. Salisbury in the near future.

Sincerely,

Jerry Policoff

cc: Harrison Salisbury