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Mr David Welsh
RAMPARTS
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Dear Mr Welsh,

This will confirm my telegram of 29 April 1966 and our telephone conversation on 1 May 1966 in which I requested the return of my untitled 300-page manuscript on the Warren Report, sent to you at your request on 17 January 1966. That request is intended to cover also the return of my essay-book review on "The Two Assassins" by Dr Renatus Hartogs, sent to you on 9 April 1966.

You may recall that you telephoned me from Beverly Hills on 17 January 1966 to request my manuscript on the Warren Report, which I had mailed to you that morning. During that conversation, you suggested that you would photocopy the manuscript if I found that I needed it back at some future time, since it was one of only three copies. At that time, I indicated that I would be amenable to the making of such photocopies, at such time as I might require the return of the manuscript.

In order to avoid any misunderstanding, I should like to state at this time that my requests of 29 April and 1 May 1966 for the return of the manuscript did not imply authorization to photocopy and that I do not now feel able to consent to such a procedure. I hope that my wishes in that respect will be fully considered; and I might add that I have made substantial additions and alterations to the text which I have not transmitted to RAMPARTS from the time that I learned that the April issue was to be postponed to July or August. Obviously, then, any use of the manuscript in the form in which it existed as of the time I learned of the postponement of the April issue would risk inaccuracy or incompleteness.

The reference to possible use of the manuscript is not intended to suggest unauthorized publication or the like but merely study by your staff for the purpose of familiarization with the facts of this case, which was one of the main reasons I forwarded the manuscript in the first instance and which familiarization is now proceeding, as I understand it, on the part of a person engaged to handle this subject for RAMPARTS but who is relatively new to its study.

As I said on the telephone on Sunday, my overriding interest is to see the Warren Report fully exposed before the American public, and I shall therefore be glad to be of any possible assistance to RAMPARTS with respect to the material selected for publication in your first issue of the "forum" you propose. Please feel free to call on me if I can be of such help. The events of last week underline the need for extremely painstaking scrutiny before findings are offered to the public.

Yours sincerely,

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