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Dear Mr Eisenberg,

Two questions arise from study of the Warren Report and Hearings and Exhibits, which appear to be in your special area of competence. I should be grateful if you would be kind enough to clarify the following matters.

(1) The Warren Report (page 646) states that the ammunition used in the assassination rifle was "recently made by the Western Cartridge Co., which manufactures such ammunition currently." There is no footnote indicating the source of this assertion. Can you please indicate the authority for the statement? I have not found any document among the Exhibits corroborating this assertion but perhaps I have overlooked it?

(2) Commission Exhibit 2560, the telephone message addressed to you which indicates that the gunsmith at the Aberdeen Proving Ground found that the scope on the rifle as received was mounted "as if for a left-handed man," does not appear to be supplemented by testimony or documents elaborating on the significance of that opinion. Can you advise me please whether or not any conclusion was reached as to the "left-handedness" of the mount? If so, can it be assumed that Oswald was left-handed or ambidextrous? Or that the rifle nevertheless could be fired without difficulty by a right-handed man? Was it possible to determine on what basis, or on whose instructions, the gunsmith at Klein's mounted the scope on the 02766 rifle for a left-handed man?

I have taken the liberty of addressing these queries to you since I am not aware that the Warren Commission, before it dissolved, assigned any residual responsibility for providing clarification requested by members of the public or students of the case. Some members of Commission's counsel have been ready, I am told, to clear up questions of this sort. This encourages me to hope for your sympathetic response by letter or if you prefer by telephone (telephone number deleted). With thanks,

Yours sincerely,

Sylvia Meagher