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Mrs. Sylvia Meagher 302 West 12th Street New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Meagher:

The enclosed check is in partial payment for your services, and I can only say that we are incredibly lucky to have access to your phenomenal memory and truly incredible grasp of the evidence. Tink was beaming at the words of praise and I was boggling at the thoroughness with which you had read and pondered his manuscript. He is going over the individual points now, and is certain the book will be strengthened by them, but I just wanted to break into the flow of expertise with a simple word of thanks for your efforts, now and later.

The \$100.00 enclosed will serve, I hope, as initial payment, with the remaining \$200.00 to be paid when index time rolls around. I also understand that you've agreed to check the references in the galleys, so I've arranged for a set to go to you as soon as we have them, hopefully early in the week of August 7th.

Again, many thanks. Tink Thompson is a remarkable man and he has remarkable friends.

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Don Preston Executive Editor

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