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Dear Sylvia,

Enclosed are the copies we talked about. I'm sorry for the long delay. Jerry may have mentioned my recent run of bad luck. All is back on track now and I've been going thru the H.S.C.A. public session transcripts at their offices. Some things went right by me and stand out in reading. An example was called to attention by Jerry which was the remark in the closing minutes of Dec. 29 by Cong. Dodd re an unidentified bullet fragment found in the limosine.

From my Committee memo file the pages you requested and will find herein are : 29,36-39,52-55,81-85,97,101,104,107-118, 119-129,141-142,172-180,181-182,199-202,242-246,248-258,285-295. Total: 84 pages. There goes the non disclosure agreement. (copy of that also enclosed)

A rather cursory 6 page index to the memo file is also included.

Copies of my letter to Cliff Fenton (8-5-78) and two to Mike Ewing (10-18 & 10-25-78) are also enclosed. I particularly ask that you keep these in the closest of confidence and check with me prior to using the information contained.

Having discussed my firing with you, I'd like to have you read over copies of the correspondence dealing with it. On this is my 9-15-77 letter of non resignation, the letter of resignation my colleagues persuaded me would be in the interests of the investigation inasmuch as the committee had backed Blakey without hearing me, and a copy of the telegram Blakey had hand delivered after getting a resignation. Also included is a two page memo which discusses the security investigation of me prompted by Mark Lane's allegations.

Another item- possibly the most usefull- is my 40 page summary of the 1976 Archives release amounting to 2,167 pages. The one box of C.I.A. items in that batch is not summarized, having been gone into by others (most notably Paul Hoch when these were released under Bud's F.O.I.A. suit). I know there is much in these worthy of attention but so far neglected. We could go into these in more detail if you wish. Mark Allen has indexed the summary.

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With respect to the previous item, I think of it as one in series of archival releases in the last several years which haven't gotten any where near the attention deserved. Between 1970 and '75, 3,001 pages came out (quite a lot available elsewhere-but that batch had some important numbered documents; for example Ruby phone records). This stuff is in eight boxes and was my introduction to the record group. Unfortunately, the indexing done on that was part of Mark Lane's law school internship program and did not leave with me.

Between the above grouping and the following 5 year review, (40 pp. summary) there were sporadic items quietly released. Although numerous critics had standing orders for anything being let out, I know that often items were not mailed out. It probably is the case that everything has been seen by some critic but the sort of dissemination needed for collective review just hasn't been there. The several Congressional staffs sent in to " look at the Warren Commission papers " did just that. What I'm getting at here is that despite the many efforts, there's never really been a systematic and all encompassing review. (no news to you I'm sure). It seems to me that too often the executive agencies have been able to dictate what the topics were, simply by selective releases to press.

Pages 172-182 of my memo file which you have here cover the ~~first~~ of two significant Archival releases made in Spring of '77. I didn't get to work on the second, having been assigned elsewhere by Tannenbaum. (indexing the volumes if you can imagine my ire at the time).

In conversation with Marion Johnson several months ago he said things still come out periodically. I haven't kept up with them. Any impressions you'd care to share on this situation will be appreciated.

One last set of materials you didn't ask for, but I'm sure will be among the most usefull, is a pair of memos prepared by Mark Allen. The one titled " Areas of Inquiry " was distributed at the hearings to Committee members, staff and press. I helped on this one to a small extent and was pleased to see it was at least well passed around. "Mexico City Memo # 6 " is a neat and concise review

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and update of Mark's work on the Mexican aspects of the investigation (all of which he supplied to the H.S.C.A.). I have the highest regard for his work and commitment. He is now a second year law student at U. Va. and is excelling. I'm sure you'll see why. Paul and Harold have worked closely with him and share my admiration.

Well Sylvia, enough for now. I hope you are are doing well and maintaining a smile in this winter weather. We got 22 inches in this storm and the District is a mess. I'm glad to be back at work. Please let me know if there are any other materials you need, including excerpts from H.S.C.A. transcripts.

Peace,

Kevin Walker