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Mrs. Sylvia Meagher 302 West 12th Street New York, New York 10014

## Dear Sylvia:

Thank you for your letter of 21 August 1970, telling me about your trip to Dallas. Perhaps I shall have an opportunity to spend a day or two there during some medical-legal meeting in the months ahead, in which case I shall contact you in advance so that arrangements can be made to meet with some of the Dallas critics. I am fascinated by the new information that was brought to your attention, and it certainly seems to corroborate and emphasize some of the previous evidence that we have reviewed.

With regard to the Oswald autopsy report, I cannot tell you whether the Rh factor is routinely determined and listed in Dallas autopsy reports, although I can certainly find out in the near future. I can tell you that our Office and other medical-legal investigative offices with which I am familiar do not make Rh determinations unless it is a relevant and essential scientific issue in a particular case. Whether or not its absence from the Oswald autopsy report is significant depends solely on the validity of the Dallas critics' statement that such a determination is routinely and uniformly made in autopsies done by the Dallas Medical Examiner's Office.

I shall look forward to speaking with you again during my next visit to New York, or before should there be any significant new developments.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

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