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Dear Mrs. Weichter

I don't remember how much I told your husband or, of course, anything he may have told you about me. I'm 79, surviving a number of usually fatal illnesses, weak and tire easily. Today I had three appointments at Johns Hopkins, an hour and a half away. It has not been safe for me to drive out of Frederick since 1977 and I haven't. The trip alone usually tires me and today the car of the friend who was driving me there broke down. Her husband took the day off, picked us up and I got home pretty tired. I decided that I'd better take a nap and was about to when the UPS man brought me an incredible surprise! What a great amount of ~~valuable~~ valuable work you have done! In and of itself it will be a very valuable addition to the archive I'll leave at local Hood College. I do not know of anyone assembling the information you did and in the future, when the assassination is studied, this gap is now closed. As to a degree I did in several books and an undertaking to do with one more than half drafted based on the JAMA adventure.

I began as I do to indicate to you how valuable what you sent me is. Instead of taking the nap I read your letter and skimmed the enclosures. And before taking a shorter nap I just had to write and thank you.

I enclose a copy of the typed autopsy protocol from the Commission's files. The note reporting that no ring of abrasion is included in mine, the only thing I added. So you can judge for yourself what kind of autopsy the President got.

I was taken by what you say on your first page, that it is unacceptable to revise originals. You did not cite a source on this and it is not important enough in what I'm writing for you to go to any trouble on it. I do not need it. But including one would make an explosive book that much more explosive.

Humes lied to Lundberg. He began lying after he got my first book. I sent him and Boswell both copies, asked them to read it and then to see me so we could discuss it. I never heard from either. But what Humes burned was his first draft. I've put together a pretty solid case that he burned it after he knew Oswald had been shot. He lied about much else but I have receipts for his notes. I'm at that part of the book now.

Hoguchi was correct. What he cited is on the last page.

There is no question at all, the President's anterior neck wound was from the front. And it was above the collar. The damage to it and to the knot of the tie was from a scalpel. and neither side of the collarband damaged nor the knot of the tie coincide.

There is much wrong with what Humes says about the head wound but my autopsy will be on the protocol and I think I have more than enough on that. I can't imagine 40 dustlike particles of lead coming from a full-jacketed military bullet, but they show in the head X-rays. I'm really surprised that all the doctors are silent about this atrocity.

Many, many thanks and best wishes, Harold Weisberg

