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Mr. Leo D. Neskes
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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20530

Dear Mr. Neshkes:

Your letter of March 7, 1977, says it is in response to my request of last December 23. This is incorrect. My request for the files on me is more than a year old.

The two pages you enclose clearly refer to one who cannot be me. The information I provided the Department should have made this apparent. It is also apparent that there is no internal routing of my request, which could have led to both your error and this inordinate delay.

If they can be located, I would like to obtain the return of the results of my own investigations that I supplied your Division just before Pearl Harbor.

I was then an investigative reporter and the Washington correspondent of what was the third largest picture magazine, Click. It was owned by the corporation of our recent Ambassador to England, Walter Annenberg. Click printed a series I did on Nazi cartel interference with defense preparations. As I recall it, this work was based on personal investigations and extensive researches in the Patent Office.

The people with whom I then dealt in your division were Thurman Arnold, Joseph Borkin and an attorney named Hodges. These I recall. There may have been others.

My work yielded much more data than could be used in a popular magazine. I made all this work available to your Division. My current interests in it are personal and archival. I have begun the deposit of my papers in a university system.

Some of the corporations I investigated were acted against after my exposes. In some cases, particularly that of the I.G. Farben-Standard Oil- Jasco arrangement which might interest you today in connection with the energy crisis, there was no story.

Other corporations I recall are: Bata; Rohm & Haas and Resinous Products and Chemicals Corp. and Rohm & Haas of Darmstadt; Schering Corp. of Bloomfield, N. J. and Schering A.G. with Ciba and Forinvent of Switzerland; the Swiss Bank Corporation; Krupp-Norosta; and General Aniline. There were some Dupont de Nemours involvements. I am sure there were others.

In connection with this pre-Pearl Harbor work, your Division asked me to work with British intelligence. I did, without registering. The agents to whom I reported were named Crowe and Westrupp. While I am aware that in such arrangements there may well be no record, I would appreciate a very careful search on this because I have recently obtained a record indicating clearly that I was suspected of unspecified association with representatives of unspecified foreign governments. There is none possible that was not in connection with my writing. This is the most obvious of those professional and only professional relationships.

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My home and office then were at 313 H Street, NW. I did not move from there until I was in the Office of Strategic Services, when I also had contacts with the Division. When I was with OSS, I moved to 2322 N. Nottingham Street, Arlington. Later I moved to Hyattstown, Md.

Yours truly,

Harold Weisberg