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Dear Mary,

Many thanks for the stuff you sent me on Arensberg etc. It proved useful after the event, and I shall be pursuing that area.

Now, I know how you hate writing letters to your myriad correspondents, but hope you'll be able to perform a further chore - especially if I say that I have made a very significant breakthrough regarding Mexico, Phillips et al. And I need the following to follow up, which I'll be doing on a special trip back to the States in early March. I need anything you have on Herminio Portell-Vila (who already crops up in the Arensberg material you sent, but may also be elsewhere), on Dr Luis Conte Aguerro, on Angel Fernandez Varela, on Nestor Borrell Novarros, and on Nestor Leonela (spelling?) Carbonel. And I need the entire file relating to ZR Rifle and Harvey, including the Porosage stuff and anything else you may have in that area. This may be too tall an order, in which case stay with the first string of names. Rest assured what I'm on to is important and new.

I hope to get to M City in March. Will call as soon as I reach NYC. Will you send all you can to me co Bruce Lee, McGraw-Hill (35th Floor), 1221,

Avenue of the Americas, New York City, NY 10020. And love,

Authorized comment by Richard Sprague, first Chief Counsel of Congress' Select Committee on Assassinations...(night of June 15, 1980):

"In my view, there were facts concerning the Mexico Oswald evidence, given by the CIA, that did not bear examination. I did not feel we were being told the absolute truth on Mexico City by the CIA. Specifically, I felt that the narration on Mexico City by David Phillips, given under oath, would not bear thorough examination. It was contrary to that given by other sources, and to other facts."