

203 General Mola  
Madrid 2, Spain  
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Dear Bud,

*date?*

We're making haste slowly on Howard Hunt's secret trip to Madrid. We have dates, hotel, and other detail, but verification is proving extremely difficult because he appears to have taken great care in covering his tracks with tickets to other places and bogus travel document. Wonder if you can ask your client--if you think it proper--whether Hunt ever used the name of E. Howard Hunter? If the answer is affirmative, please phone me collect--Madrid 250 51 49; or, if it's easier for you, phone the Washington Post, and ~~ask~~ ask either for John Hanrahan or Lee Lescaze and tell them you have message for me. Hunt's visit to Spain looms highly significant, hence my yell for help.

I wish I could go to the conference on the 10th anniversary of JFK's assassination, but I can't afford the trip at this time. *If you pay my plane fare, I'll take care of my room & board,*

Have you made any progress on Ray, his passport and di Tomaso (?). Tad Szulcz should be back in Washington by now. I spoke ~~to~~ to him on the phone when he was in ~~Paris~~ Paris and he reiterated his desire to help you ~~investigate~~ track the man. *Lowson  
Let me  
PWS*

If you talk to Billings, tell him he is not so busy that he cannot answer my last letter.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

*Mike*  
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Acoca's 10/30/73 to Bud: This does not give the date of Hunt's alleged second trip to Spain. It can't be after indictment and I'm inclined to wonder if it was before. There is some reason why the Spanish government, which is politically the kind that would like Hunt's view representing us, would not accept him yet thereafter employed his wife. Is there any indication on this? It could have significance. I won't now call Manarahan to ask him about this but when we talk I may ask him what he may know. The Post has made no mention of any of this. I know Mike enjoys a good rep., but the one thing he did of which I know he loused up so professionally and so needlessly that I have wondered since. As I did about Billings sending him, of all people. I'd be suspicious of Bud's enlisting Saulc's help in tracking anyone, but if he does, I think it could be good if I were there. I'd like to meet Saulc not by calling him up and Bud has never mentioned di Tomaso to me. Typically, of course.