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Mr. Hugh Aynesworth
Newsweek
903 Chronicle Building
Houston, Texas 77002

Dear Mr. Aynesworth:

Your letter of June 1st has been received.

In response to your request, I thought you might be interested in the enclosed statement by a spokesman for the Department of Justice.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

NOTE: Bufiles disclose Aynesworth is on the mailing list to receive the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin. He has previously contacted the Bureau concerning Garrison's investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

In my several weeks of investigation in New Orleans on Jim Garrison's assassination conspiracy hoax, I have encountered one thing time and time again that hurts the defendant, Clay Shaw, who, you know, is guilty of nothing near charged.

People ask, "Why did the F.B.I. investigate Shaw if he wasn't guilty of something?"

Since the Bureau de-classified additional documents to show Dave Ferrie's role--or lack of role, perhaps I should say--in the assassination investigation, why couldn't it also release those pertaining to the investigation of Clay Shaw?

This, I think, would be only fair. It would help an unfairly accused defendant and I hardly can fathom how it could harm innocent individuals, for all those who can be harmed have already felt the sting of Garrison's unusual "investigation."

I have collected additional data pertaining to Garrison's unorthodox use of the law and will relay it to your representatives as soon as possible.

But in the meantime, couldn't somebody see and report about the F.B.I. "file" on Clay Shaw? I'm not asking for any favors. I would expect it to be released to any responsible newsman or news media, not to me or to NEWSWEEK.

Thanks for your consideration.

Cordially yours,

Hugh Aynesworth
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