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Dear George,

If you really do come up with a tape of most of the police radio logs you may have something of the greatest significance, one of the truly important finds. Let me know as soon as you know. And if you do get it, and, I presume, dub tapes for yourself, please also do one for me. I'm sure Gary also would like it. Then they must be transcribed, as best they can be. Let me explain (and I go into this in WHITEWASH). There was the first and obvious fake Mansley exhibits, listed under Sawyer. This was too raw. So they had the supposedly full version made. That also was obviously hoked up and inadequate. So, they made a supposedly good one, but here they eliminated a number of periods of time. Whether the logs are faithful for the period covered and what, if anything, is in the periods not covered, are among the more obvious things. Inflections, which the transcript cannot catch, can be revealing. Etc. I do not know if Gary told you, but one of the books I've laid aside temporarily is titled AGENT OSWALD. One of the things I will do in it is deal with his framing. Here I will say he was deliberately framed and show how, by whom, etc.

Break what I said about Alvarez as I intended and I do not think you will disagree. He is "honored". Separately, he is also a "fink". I think it would probably be safe to call him a crook, which is that part that now interests me most of all.

At this time my wheat interest is academic. I have the same interest but now am not in a position to do anything, not immediately, anyway.

I have a present and an ongoing interest in Penabaz. I think you and Gary should clear with each other on him. I cannot afford to buy his "books". Gary has ordered one for me. I'd like a xerox of his Hargis-biography cover, if it is not too much trouble. He sells tapes. I do not specifically recall one on the assassination. Here he would be worse than Hargis. I have the essence in COUP

Thanks for the kind words. They are not like the wind that has been coming here from the west!

Best regards,

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Dear Harold,

Thank you very much for yours of the 28th, received today.

Unfortunately for the sake of clarity, Alvarez sent me just xeroxes of the correspondence, and what you got is as clear as one can get under the circumstances from a Bell & Howell copier. However, in a few days I shall run the pages in which you express an interest through a xerox and see if they come out any clearer.

Permit me to disagree with your calling Alvarez an "honored fink." To do so is an insult to finks everywhere. No self-respecting fink would want to be in the same category as the learned Doctor Alvarez.

I shall let you know what reaction Alvarez has to this, if any. If there is one, I expect it to be little more than a blast.

Your comment on the 2.3 second limitation is well taken. I mentioned the passing comment of Frazier regarding time needed to aim at a moving target, but thought that using it in the fashion you mention would carry me into areas beyond the rather narrow scope of my intent. My purpose was not to establish when shots were fired, etc., but to draw the Alvarez-Wyckoff assertions to their logical conclusions. I suppose you could say that I played straight man in this case and for the particular purposes expressed therein I assumed as given much of what they treated the same way.


I shall see our "Wheat man" before long and I'll remind him of your interest. As to Penabaz, have you any of his writings? Offhand, I can think of three, all published in paperback by Christian Crusade: RED RUNS THE CARIBBEAN (a pamphlet on Cuba and Castro), WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT U.N.O.? (contains the standard extremist attacks on the UN) and CRUSADING PREACHER FROM THE WEST (the official biography of Hargis). Also, I remember seeing a notice in Hargis' magazine about a tape of a speech by Penabaz on the assassination. I do not remember how long ago it was I saw the ad, and I never ordered it -- I couldn't see paying five bucks for Hargisite rantings on the topic.

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To say that I am irked by your inability to find a publisher for your three completed works is to put it mildly. I consider myself the loser for this. Your approach of examining material meticulously, of suspending issues by their feet to see if anything falls out of their pockets, of poking and prodding and wringing them dry is a lot like an autopsy -- and I don't mean Bethesda-style. So here's a gratuitous obscene gesture for the publishing industry.

I have a lead on something that might prove interesting: an alleged twelve hours of tapes of the Dallas police radio, done by the Oklahoma uncle of a friend of mine who, he says, switched to short wave and turned on his recorder as soon as the first bulleting came over. I'll let you know how (or if) this turns out.

Best wishes,


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