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Dear Mr. Gower,

Please excuse my typing and my haste. I'm 81, not well, with much mail and work I still want to do.

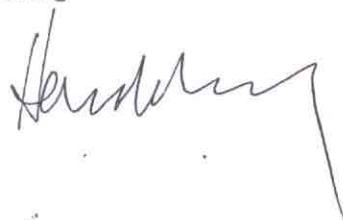
Fletch Prouty is as sincere as he is ~~wrong~~ about seeing that story in NZ a day early.

What you say about the rifle having a dirty bore is interesting and if it were possible to have a record could be useful but I doubt Forest Lucy would give such a statement.

I do not believe the Art Sinclair story.

Thanks and best wishes,

Harold Weisberg

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Harold Weisberg". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent 'H' at the beginning.

I hope you can read my writing!

26 April 94

Mr. Weisberg & greetings!

Though by your standards I am a novice youngster (40 yrs of age and only 29 yrs. of active interest in the case) I have bumped into many people involved in the events of Nov. 22, 1963.

I am good friends with Bob Flanagan, the man Jack Ruby shoved aside in the basement on 24 Nov '63 - He was a professor of mine in 1977. He refuses to speak about the events of that weekend.

I have worked with Forrest Lucy, the man who, while working for the FBI office in Dallas, built the wooden box in which the infamous Mannlicher was shipped to DC the night of 22 Nov 63. He is a resident here in San Angelo, retired after 20 years in the Marines. He believes wholeheartedly that Oswald is guilty, though doubt came into his face when I quoted him Fletcher Moulton's statements about the disinformative newspaper in Christchurch, New Zealand on the day of the assassination. He did tell me (after 2 or 3 drinks) that he

carefully examined the Mannlicher-Carcass and stated (and I quote) "It had an exceptionally dirty bore". The doubt on his face was then caused by his own statements.

Last (and possibly least), I have run up on one Art Sinclair, a former CIA agent (so he claims) whose front was as a reporter in Dallas, on the ground in Dealey Plaza that day. He has been drug deprogrammed (I've seen his medical records). He has recently undergone quintuple bypass surgery (summer 93). He is notable to have morphine or any sodium drugs. - He's claimed to me to be able to name names. 5 agents from the Louisiana office of the CIA, all still alive in France, according to him did the shooting.

Be that as it may, we researchers must deal with secondary sources and hearsay. revel in your years of work. I thank you for your diligence and perseverance. & hope this letter finds you and your daughter well. - I am

Randy Howe Jr.