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Dear Dr. Remington,

I am truly apologetic as to the lateness of this reply to your letter of December 29, but your letter was mislaid.

In any event, I'm also sorry to report that we are committed to publishing a book on the Warren Commission by Max Holland, so we are unable to review your book.

Nevertheless, we appreciate your inquiry and wish you good luck with another publisher.

Sincerely yours,


Ashbel Green

December 29, 2000

Manuscripts Editor
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Dear Editor:

Please accept this as a query whether your firm is interested in reviewing my manuscript recently reviewed by former President Gerald R. Ford. I am encouraged to submit this inquiry by reason of a judgment of President Ford, clearly an authority on the subject of the Warren Commission, of which he is the sole surviving member.

Under date of November 21, 2000 President Ford wrote me in response to the final draft I had forwarded him on October 30. Therein he included the following:

Recently, I had the opportunity to review, carefully, the draft of your book "...on the work of Warren Commission and its Report..."

I found your analysis of the work of the Warren Commission interesting. I fully respect your right to challenge many of the basic conclusions of the Warren Commission and its investigatory procedures. . . .

On November 30, I wrote President Ford and expressed my sincere gratitude for his review and remarks. I also included the following:

Absent any relevant criticism in your written review, I trust it a fair inference to believe that you have no objection to the method, data and premises upon which I based my conclusions. If I err in this inference, please advise me of the specifics to which you may take exception, with assurance that they will be so identified in the publication of my book.

As of this date, I have not been advised by President Ford that he believes my inference to be in error.

Enclosed is a copy of the Introduction of my manuscript, along with an outline of the chapters and a roster of appendices that accompany it. If you are interested in further reading of this writing, or answers to questions you may have, please advise me and I will be pleased to make available any materials you may wish to see.

Sincerely,



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