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Dear Lou,

You have a copy of the text of the first of my three books on the autopsy. I have completed the text of the third (I'll work on the second next!) and am working on the appendix and the final chapter, which I am adding. For this I very much need as soon as possible a copy of the proceeding in Washington on February 14. I want to quote it extensively in a special chapter in the appendix and I want to use quotes in the text.

Can you please have a copy Xeroxed and sent me as soon as you are able? It runs perhaps a hundred pages, maybe a few more.

If doing this presents a problem, what I am in greatest need of is what I didn't take extensive notes on. In the afternoon session, after Foreman, there was much argument. Usually, Bud wisely sat silent and let the government argue with the judge. I can use that to clobber them with and I want to. I also regard this material as a major plus from your proceeding. As time goes on and nerves return to what was once normal, I think you all will come around to this point of view. Getting access to what we did was a major accomplishment. Perhaps this is not yet well understood, but it is so. I want to be able to handle this in just this manner.

Bud seems to have an idea we may be able to get this published. I also have hopes that when I have the whole thing completed, it will enable me to make an effort at enlisting a different kind of support than we have had.

Let me remind you, in case you have forgotten, Tom did the same or a similar thing with Thornley, as Lifton let me know in early November. I told you and I believe I gave you a memo on it. When you can tell me what I do not know of that story I'd like to hear it. I am afraid I have known more of it than is pleasant for at least a year and couldn't get anything done about it.

On the letter I sent Jim through you and asked you to read, there are follows that I have already initiated. There is other work I am asking others to do on this for me. This is on Shaw and the rentals. Perhaps not related, but from other work I have done and have in another book, COUP D'ETAT, there was a minor reference in Shaw's secretary's cross-examination of his letting a Cuban group have space at the ITM. She denied it and Alcock reminded her of her grand-jury testimony. I suggest this might have significance, in the light of what I have already pieced together and would like whatever you can send me as soon as you can so I can do more work, including the exact name, if you have it. This may very well be a CIA link, for I have one now and this can be part of it or part of another. I had sent the leads on this and it was ignored. So, I picked it up and made some real progress. One facet Tom not only worked on and did nothing, but when Jim asked me to pick it up, not knowing what it really related to, Tom got real up tight when I asked him about it, saying he had done it.

Hurriedly,