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Dear Rod,

Here is the copy of the RPK transcript.

It is a copy of the copy I made when I put my original away. I have not had time to try to dig the original out. I've forgotten where I ~~stuck~~ filed it.

Perhaps the use I am making in my writing can be helpful to you. I have a rough draft and on the chance you can use it I'll have it retyped as soon as I can. There are parallels with the other two assassinations in this.

There is reference to protecting the innocent. This is valid but neither the practise nor the requirement of the law. All that could have been used to impeach any witness was the right of the defense under the Jeoncks act. As it relates to witnesses more than the bound summaries was the right of the defense. Those pages that were relevant in the 50,000 mentioned were.

I think it is important to note that there is reference to evidence not used. This was because the defense took the line it did. The prosecution thus felt it had no need to use the ceiling panels as evidence. However, once it knew there would be appeals, and it did and this transcript is an official rather than a public reference to it, destroying anything evidentiary was wrong.

Do I have to tell you that if the evidence supported the official story it would not have been destroyed?

There is reference to the "mess" if anything were list and to keeping ^{people} from handling the actual evidence. The destructions were the very next month and they did, promptly, let people handle the physical evidence. I have other files if you want them but I encourage you to fast use if you go for this. One of the official defenses when there were earlier charges of the tainting of evidence is that it had been handled by the people who were supposed not to have been allowed to touch it.

If you are interested in the destruction of the second pistol, the one whose number Wolfer attached to his work, I have a copy of the police teletype on its destruction. That it was destroyed is known. I also have copies of charges against Wolfer and of other papers you might find relevant as well as a file of clippings.

On the chance you may want this as soon as my friend finishes the search for what you wanted on the military in JFK I'll have him go through these files and remove the teletype and if it seems likely to interest you, even though in part it has been used, some of the charges.

I'm sorry all these things come at one time because one is done by not doing another. However, I think we'll have what you want collected over the weekend.

Because this is an active case, with the next court hearing scheduled for the 11th and because it is only a beginning, if you go for this I do encourage your people to speed because the lawyer Jim rather than the writer Harold says it can be enough to break the think apart and you'd ~~like~~ thus have more than a story.

Hastily,