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Dear Mr. Lee,

Your letter of December 22, written in alleged response to one of my letters to the Department of more than four months earlier, was not in response to any letter I wrote you or Mr. Kowalski, who wrote that evasive letter for you. I have no file on either of you so I have no idea of what you may be referring to in telling me what I do not believe in any event, that the "information" I "provided is being considered as a part of" your "investigation." It would have no place in what you refer to as General Reno's announced "limited inquiry into certain allegations regarding Dr. King's assassination." You do not describe this alleged "new information" but you do say that it does ^{warrant} ~~warrant~~ a supplemental investigation into recent allegations, "again ~~undescribed~~ ^{undescribed}. I believe what you refer to was investigated earlier by the FBI and found to be without merit and that you are now stalling to give the misleading appearance of taking time for a new investigation. It is allegedly being made by your Civil Rights Division.

In any event, at 85 and of limited mobility I am not going to try to search my files for either the latest of my several letters to the Department in the futile hope it might avoid further disgrace of itself and of the country or to get the exact words of the statement issued in the attorney general's name. The latter was an unhidden deception. The Department did not about to reconsider what it concluded in the King assassination and absent that nothing it can or will do can mean a thing. It decided immediately that Ray was a lone assassin and it never really considered anything else. In CA 75-1996 I got what the FBI said was its complete King assassination file and those thousands of pages are quite clear on this ^{year}.

The fact is that the FBI never got a bit of actual evidence that even justified the suspicion, after testing, that Ray was the assassin. It never had and still has no proof of this at all.

However, ^{to} ~~at~~ begin with, it did allege that there was a ^{conspiracy} ~~conspiracy~~ knowing full well that the United States Attorney in Memphis would not go for ~~that~~ that cockamamie fabrication. It ~~was~~ ^{was} the charge filed in ^{Birmingham} ~~Birmingham~~. Every word was dictated

by FBIHQ, even of the press release on it. But when it was realized that there was no case at all it was decided to let the locals deal with it as a state crime. With the FBI able to ^{dominate} ~~dominate~~ it well, so well that the prosecution could not get any of the FBI investigation until it complained to Washington, ^{to D.S.}

Between the locals and the federals and including your division, nobody ever placed Ray at the scene of the crime. In fact, none of you could place him even in the city of Memphis after two hours before the crime and you did not ~~do~~

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and could not do that because the only witness to it had a history of mental illness.
You could not place Ray in Memphis after breakfast that day.

However, and when what the Department made public to extradict Ray was kept secret in this country and I filed suit for it, I got, with added proof in ~~the~~ the Department and FBI files, that your division and the FBI both suborned ~~perjury~~ in England to pretend that Ray was at the scene of the crime at the time of the crime. You both prepared affidavits for the alleged eye witness Charles Quitman ^{pretending he} Stephen did see Ray. He was so drunk that day his cabbie would not let him in the ~~cab~~ cab to get another bottle. And the fact is that ^{earlier} when Stephens was shown a ^{Pic} picture of Ray he said quite explicitly that he did not see him, that Ray was ^{not} "not the guy" he claimed he saw ^{you} running away. ~~knowing~~ knowing that he had made this statement, which was reported by the media, ~~your~~ your division and the FBI both prepared and Stephens signed affidavits ^{pretending} a Ray identification.

Which alone should disqualify both of you from any part in the investigation your division is ^{allegedly} making and thus controls.

The FBI could not connect the alleged murder ^{rifle with} ~~case with~~ the crime. ^{and} the fact is, from the investigation I made as Ray's ^{investigator} lawyer when he sought a trial (I conducted ^{it} the investigation for the successful ~~he~~ habeas corpus petition and then for the two weeks of evidentiary hearing), that rifle was not and could not have been used in the crime. The evidence for which I was responsible and which was neither refuted nor rebutted is that the crime as ~~to~~ alleged by the locals and by the FBI was a physical impossibility. If the Department does not have the transcripts of that hearing it can have copies of them. I have them.

Can you conduct ~~any~~ anything that you are not ashamed of calling an investigation without that sworn testimony that was subject to refutation and rebuttal and none of you even attempted?

^{must} There is more but this is enough to get to the fact that the Department ^{must} ~~may~~ pretend that Ray was the assassin and that ~~it~~ it dares not cite its own evidence on this, which is ~~etc~~ totally nonexistent, or the actual evidence of which it knows, did, ^{not} and could not refute, and pretends does not exist.

On the ballistics, which Judge Brown made an issue of in Memphis and then got clobbered for his concern, I obtained the Ray ~~exam~~ criminalist for that hearing, took him to the clerk of the court's ~~the~~ office where I had eyeballed the evidence earlier and showed him the major fragment of the bullet recovered from Dr. King's body. He examined it with his own microscope, photographed it with his own camera, and told me as we left that he wished he had that good a specimen in most of his cases, which were for the police rather than for defendants.

Later that rifle was fired often ^{and} those later firings altered the charact-

eristics of the markings made in firing. But ~~as~~ of the time of that evidentiary hearing that was not true and our expert testified, without contradiction of any kind, that given that rifle and allowed to test fire it, the specimen was good enough so that he could ~~swear~~ ^{state} under oath that it had or had not been fired from that rifle.

The simple truth is that you are conducting a phony investigation for the purpose of perpetuating the fraudulent solution to that major crime for which the Department is responsible. I am willing to testify under oath and subject to the penalties of perjury, to what I state above and to more like it and I have documentation of what I could and would testify to. I do not offer to go to Washington because of my health problems but you can, as you will not dare, take my testimony here.

I do not expect that to happen and from the record of the past I have no reason to believe that any one of you will pay any attention to any of this. You all like your jobs and your futures too much to be honest about this and to pay the costs of honesty. In this you are not unlike those who did as you are doing for Hitler and for Stalin, although none of you think of your dishonesties that way. What you have done and are doing is exactly what was done to make Hitler and Stalin appear to be credible with their big lies. What else are you all doing now? And how else could the CRD, which did suborn perjury to get Ray extradited for trial in the United States, be part of ~~any~~ ^{real} investigation that, were it honest, would have to include your subornation of perjury.

Without which Ray could not have been extradited under the treaty that then existed, without which he could not have been brought here for that frame-up that put him away and covered all your collective failings and transgressions up for all of you.

So, you are again investigating yourselves. That alone justified a loud Sieg Heil!

And the contempt your dishonesties will enable you to avoid.

Sincerely,

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Sorry my typing cannot be any better.