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Dear Bill,

In today's mail I received a copy of your story in the issue dated 7/10/79, "How Secret Report on JFK's Death Links Oswald & Ruby to Mobsters."

So I assume there will be no interest in the non-fiction I sent you showing how the FBI set this up for a diversion and for the CIA to be blamed, as it was blamed, by LBJ and later by others.

This appears to be the spawn of some intellectual incest so I write to give you a caution because there will be more.

Mike Esing ghosted Fensterwald's book and Braden is suing them and the publisher for libel. Esing's source was totally dependable.

Esing was Dan Holdea's research assistant and from what Holdea told me his sole source on the line of this story.

Esing was on the staff of the committee which is now using the mafia as another patsy, that appearing to be safe for a committee of the Congress.

Marcello testified in executive session before the committee and under oath denied all. One of his lawyers has already written several papers and Jack Anderson, as I learned by the accident of an unexpected involvement, and caricatured them about the facts.

Whether or not Dutz Margret was "a member of the Marcello mob" he had nothing to do with the bailing of Oswald, another element of the so-called Holdea/ Esing "proof."

So I suggest caution since the recent Supreme Court decision and because all of this is really untenable.

Holdea's straw man is ridiculous. The question is not whether the mob could have killed JFK.

MDC is foaling around with the same nonsense. Their characters are talking out loud about placing Marcello's and other mob names back in a novel and making a movie.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg