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Dear Les,

When the Wx Post decided to delay on what all indications are is an important story - two reporters going on vacation so they are crippled - I gave it to the LA Times, which appears to be excited. This is because I'd not heard from you, so I assume you are that busy or on vacation and I want some things out now.

Unless AP Baltimore picks up on the local story I expect no significant reaction to it.

The FBI, however, will read the Anderson column, as will a few in DJ.

The big fight and in some ways the ones that may promise better odds on success is for the dirtyworks on King, associates, SCLC and blacks in general. Because Jim is not representing me on that, and I hope to be able to keep it out of court, I'm handling it myself.

Because after several years of effort, including with one black college and several blacks at integrated colleges, I've gotten no reaction I've turned about four file drawers of materials on what the FBI did to blacks in Memphis over to a white college professor. He is drafting a scholarly paper now and hopes to expand it into a book. I think it will make an important study.

Meanwhile, when and as I can, maybe I'll remember others ways in which I can show the FBI and DJ my appreciation.

If you are not interested in the magnitude of the FBI's anti-black operations and the inventory of them, please let me know. If you're not but you think Newsday might be, would you please speak to Tony or someone else in the bureau?

Best to you all,