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Dear Harold;

Nice talking with you yesterday. Sure enough I got your manuscript package yesterday. I spent yesterday and this evening going over all your corrections. The formatting problems are the result of formatting after typing it out single-space then turning it into a double-space document (a few key strokes is all). When I was typing the last manuscript I formatted as I went along, hopefully avoiding any formatting mistakes.

Having your key to editorial characters was helpful. I expect you will fine fewer misspelled words in the last manuscript since I spell-checked them twice before sending it in the mail. I will do the same with this before printing it. By the way "freebee" is spelled "freebie" in my dictionary but I left it as "freebee" at your request.

With regard to the misinterpretations which created errors in your text, call it over zealousness to be helpful. Your reproving notes had cured me of that zeal. My haste in getting the manuscripts to you appears to have shown in the quality of the work. I have been concerned that I will be too slow, as your narratives regarding your poor health have left me desiring to turn them around as fast as possible, knowing that you will read them and make any necessary changes on the first re-typed draft. As you see the second re-typed drafts, unless I have erred unknowingly, are as exactly as you have directed.

As to your first chapter title using the word "Shylock" which I continue to suggest misdirects the reader. It does not connect with the thesis of the chapter. It appears to be good alliteration. It is wasted unless you can draw a parallel between Donahue's/Menninger's behavior and Shakespeare's Shylock. While Lamark may not be the right word, an effort should be made to make the chapter title to make correlative.

I look forward to re-typing ZR/Rifle if you should decide to send it to me. I picked up a book by Noel Twyman, *Bloody Treason, The Assassination of John F. Kennedy, On Solving History's Greatest Murder Mystery*, published by Laurel Publishing, P.O. Box 675128, Rancho Santa Fe, CA, 1997 (ISBN 0-9654399-0-9) (\$37.50 suggested retail price).

It makes some incredible claims:

- ⊗ "... Twyman tells how and why President Kennedy was assassinated, starting at the beginning for the uninitiated reader, then providing the *complete* [my emphasis] story up to the present."
- ⊗ "Newly released documents are presented which show that the plot involved a deceptive plan to precipitate an invasion of Cuba by U.s. forces; and explains why this plan was discarded shortly after the assassination."
- ⊗ "... the Zapruder film was altered to conceal what really happened at the time of the fatal head shot. . . ."
- ⊗ "Newly released tapes and documents show that Lyndon Johnson used nuclear war scare tactics to intimidate key people in Dallas and Washington, D.C. to cover up the crime . . ."
- ⊗ "... Kennedy's body was literally stolen from *Air Force One* and modified . . ."
- ⊗ "... The evidence of the master conspiracy is developed step-by-step until the identities of the powerful people behind the plot are revealed."

Sounds like a good bedtime fiction to relax after a hard day at work. It already comes with an Errata page with ten "inconsistencies or errors" identified after printing. It has, at a glance, substantial end notes and references many of the authors you have indicated that you have "reviewed" (Lifton, Newman, etc.).

Well it's off to bed. I'll print your manuscript in the morning and put it the mail later in the day.

Good health to you and your wife.

Clay Ogilvie,



P.S. If you send only the pages that need editing, it can save you one postal costs. I will return the entire manuscript as usual including the directions to make corrections for your review and confirmation that they have been made.