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Dear Harold:

It was nice to chat with you. As I said on the telephone, I have finished *Ex Sess* after I completed ARRB Whitewash. As you can see by my enclosure, I have made a copy of each for you and have returned the original of the Introduction and adjusted Table of Contents for ARRB Whitewash.

I was a bit taken aback by the tone of your Introduction. It had the appearance of being a "good bye" to all who know you. I hope that doesn't reflect your mental state. For my own selfish reasons, I want you and Lil' around for at least another ten years of good health. I want you to be around so that you can mentor me so that I can carry on your "witnessing." For Lil' because she is such a fine woman that I am rather fond of as another grandmother.

I have started the Mailer critique retyping of the edits. With any luck they can be completed and in the mail by next Saturday (9 January 1999). I have the two diskettes on Mailer and have started converting them to Microsoft Word for uniformity of word processor.

I spoke with Jerry, today. He is doing better. He indicated that he was at your home today and was working in the basement. He indicated that he found some commission documents in a few file drawers that were unlabeled. He is in seventh heaven with that discovery.

I hope all goes well with Dennis. I hope he will leave a few diskettes with the earlier chapters of "Inside" so that the "Weisbergians" can read at least those chapters. I hope you can spur him on to complete the "Inside" in the near future.

Had you thought of culling your books and manuscripts to prepare a *Harold Weisberg's Report on the Assassination of President Kennedy*? As I have read your books and manuscripts, there is enough material by cutting a pasting to make an incredible "Report." While I recognize you desire to slow down, your excuses that you feel feeble, and what appears to be your desire to late it all down to "rest," I believe your "witnessing" will be incomplete and the job will be left to others who are less capable. Please give it some thought. Please don't think I'm trying to coerce you in any manner or to flatter you into more work. I believe you said that writing keeps you alive and I don't want to see you leave before your time.

Must get this ready to mail tomorrow. Will end here and wish you and Lil' a healthy and Happy New year.

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