

Dear Jim,

9/9/75

The appendix is done except for about 6 pages where I await clearer copies from the Archives and the pictures and whatever else there will be space for after the index is done and typed. There will be a choice of what to include in what space there will be. Howard recommended what he'd cut from the new text on Nosenko. No, not as part of the autopsy or the ballistics but as another part of the coverup. Alternative is more of the 226-75 records.

We're trying something new on the index this time. Lil will type it on adding-machine tape I can then measure to know the space it will take paged. With this knowledge I'll know what there is room for and it can be added much easier, I think, when I put the tape onto pages. We'll learn, anyway.

I hope you are as pleased with Howard's thoroughness as I am. All that annotation is already added. I now have to go over the text and insert a few notes and more cross-references.

Enclosed is a reply to a note from Paul R. Pay attention to what I've marked.

Just as the news was going on after Howard left and I'd settled down to hear it who calls by Weberman! I still don't know why.

I do know that I was going to change clothes to take Howard to National Airport when Floyd pulled in. He had a flat tire. I don't know why he wanted to come but I am glad he saved me the trip. It had something to do with the Hill situation.

Weberman started on Bud, provocatively, Bud as CIA and me lending my prestige yet to Bud because of the Ray case. Weberman has to be some kind of crazy. What kind may be a question but the fact isn't. So I don't pretend to be able to figure why he spent close to an hour in toll calls for rambling nonsense. It is impossible he was trying to get me to say something against Bud, maybe even that he is CIA. It is also possible that he was taping in the hope of getting me to say something he could use to plug his book. His ignorance is hard to imagine, particularly with his boast of the great time he spent in the Archives. He is still hung on those pictures but does admit that even after I warned him and told him I had done it he still has made no investigation of the pictures. He had some pretty weird notions about Alch, McCord, Hunt, Sturgis and Russell that seems to compartment in what others is called the mind with what from him comes as a CIA monolith of American/Cuban mercenaries who offed JFK. Mullen is murders, too. If he hasn't called Bud he might. If Bud takes the call and wants to have some fun he'd say he can't talk without talking to his case workers, Sprague or Skolnick. Weberman will misuse a refusal to take the call or return one anyway but I think he can't take ridicule easily. He said he is sending me his book, wants me to read it (no promise I would) and would like to discuss it with me, from the way he said it seeking approval. After all I've said to and about him yet!

Jon Newhall told me six of the seven experts in the RPK case have been agreed on. One is Courtland Cunningham. He says news treatment out there is getting greater.

Floyd tried to get a copy of the Tatler special for you but could not. If you don't find one I had an unmarked copy.

I've got lots of work refiling and cleaning up before I dare start spreading any more papers out for any more work.

Best,