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Dear Bud,

On the advice of several reporters I backgrounded, I have prepared a press release we can give out at the press conference and have on the appropriate table at the National Press Club. They consider it essential, for those attending the press conference and for those who cannot.

I'll get Lil to retype it. If possible, I'll enclose a copy with this (she is beat and busy). It runs only two double-spaced, letter-sized pages with this size type. Single spaced and in larger type, it will still be less than two letter-sized pages but may run more than a single legal-sized page.

Paul Valentine suggests the complaint should state that the law provides such a case moves to the top of the docket, for the judges and clerk may be unfamiliar with that rpovision of the law. He and Ian MacDonald, of the London Times, thing this should have some impact.

Yesterday I did a show (not saying we are about to file suit) by phone with Joe Dolan, KGO, San Francisco. It went very well, unusually well, with an excellent and immediate reaction. I was supposed to have a dialogue with Joe for ten minutes, then answer calls for 20. I did the entire three hours. I have done that show before, with Joe on other stations and with his prececessor at KGO. With top celebrities, the format is at most an hour for one person. I suggest this is a favorable omen, especially because Joe has been sour since Garrison.

Can you get the release mimeographed? If you can, while you are filing the papers, I can take copies ot the Press Club and also make some phone calls to correspondents, etc. Thus we can get to the conference together and do both things that must be done first.

Matter of fact, to be sure you get this, I'll mail it tonight when I pick Lil up and then I'll mail the release separately, as soon as she retypes it.

I am anxious to hear of your trip and, after this is over, to tell you what happened in the meeting I had when you were away. It went rather well. I am getting and have seen new things of significance and I do expect the memo od transfer. This, however, is something we should discuss separate and at liesure, without interruptions.

Best,