Dear Jimmy, 5/20/80

Some time ago you asked me if I have copies of certain records pertaining to Eist's credibility and HSCA testimony. I then replied, as I now recall it, that I have more than you asked about but had to locate and refile it. I said that when I did I could make copies but because of the overall situation and to avoid potentials I see that you refuse to see I'd prefer that I get the request from Mark. This would avoid the kinds of temptations to which he has yielded in the past.

Those for whom you think I pimp hate me as you can't imagine and I never hear from them. However, in the appeals office there are some people who want to try to do what FOIA requires, so when they come up against a blank wall if they think I can help, they may ask me.

If I were to ask who made the request they'd probably not tell me, so I never ask. Yesterday, when I was busy suing those you regard as my friends and associates, I got two such inquiries. One is for one of the records I told you I had. However, whoever made the request apparently used the HSCA volumes, where Jim misread the date. So that requester got a negative from the FBI and the appeals office can't find any such record. Naturally, with the wrong date it doesn't exist. On the chance this request was yours I told them that today I'd search and give them the numbers, of all pertinent, not the one I was asked about. On the chance it is not you I'm enclosing copies. If there is another time, as long as Mark is your layer, please do it by the book and have him make or forward the request, initialled.

If the request is your eequest it is inadequate. There are other records I do not have. With what I don't have time for I've not asked for them because to me other things I can't get to are more important. However, if you want to ask for them and want help from me, get Mark's approval and I'll make suggestions. In return I'll ask no more than copies of what you get. If I then spot something missing or inadequate I'll let you know.

On these copies are some marks I added, probably to catch Jim's eye when shots were flying all around both of us. I prepared this in advance for when I knew I'd be sitting with him. To distinguish between the marks on the records when I got them and those I added, what I added is identified with the blue initial H.

As you will see, some pertains to other than Eist's b.s.

I think, from the content, that the 6/17/68 record is the one intended by the 7/17/68 identification.

I also added the paperclips when I made the copies for Jim's use to attract rapid attention to those parts, as I now recall.

I believe that the obliterated name on page 1 and thereafter is Minnich.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

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