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Dear Howard,

Jerry, who I expect this weekend, has told me of your visit with Sylvia.

I have started to write the abbreviated TIGER. Should any interest be kindled in AGENT, I'll return to that. Meanwhile, although I've just begun and haven't had a chance to think it through, I have decided that it will have to be as short as possible, with mere references to what I had expected to explore at length, with the concentration on the Cuba Missile Crisis itself and the withdrawal, which seems to be misrepresented in what has come out in the past few days.

So, when you can, I'll need the withdrawal stuff, which I plan for the conclusion. I have a chronological order in mind, beginning with the reappointment of Hoover and Dulles during the interregnum (which is where I now am, in the first chapter, having completed the unnead draft of the intro).

But I have no interest in anything other than the withdrawal stuff, unless you have found more on the German deposit and the full text of the American University (and any other similar) speech, which I do not have. I can get it elsewhere if you do not have it. You ought for your own work in the future.

If the Phila paper s carry any special stories on Garrison, I'll be interested. I find it hard to believe he would be so cheap a crook. And I know the alleged bagman well, know the feds had to have had very much on him for him to be capable of this. What has been unmentioned is the hazard this subjects him to from those who gave the gratf. They are dangerous people, vindictive, and some of their closest must now be on the lam. Time will tell. There is no telling what I sick man might do. I was impressed with the considerable change in Garrison's appearance as I saw him on TV last night. He looks very bad and his voice is also different. But, all his ravings of the past now give him credibility, to which the flap on The Pentagon Papers adds credibility. Real wierd. He never had anything to prove his charges, and even they do not originate with him! But notice that the coverage I saw, NBC's and CBS', both used his accusations against the government and the complex. They treated him more fairly than they ever have. At this time, with these charges?

Wow! What a change!

Best,