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Dear Dick,

Thanks for the Sun's Nagell stories. Bud Fensterwald had told me that he had survived a fall of 10,000 feet from a disintegrated Electra!

The military intelligence file you have and refer to, saying that the CIA assigned Nagell to investigate the Oswalds, is interesting, particularly if the only source is not Nagell himself.

It has been so long I no longer have a clear recollection of the part of what he made public that I knew.

I remain with doubts that he knew he was going to be framed in the JFK assassination as well as that anyone not directly involved would have had any knowledge of any such plot. When the CIA got the mafia to try to kill Castro knowledge was limited to six of its higher officials.

I also have trouble believing that the CIA would frame one of its own, especially one with any involvement.

So, I look forward to what you will evolve.

You are welcome to call me if I can be of any help. Only please remember that to my too-many other ailments and illnesses I have somehow added sleep apnea. ^{one} of the results I am awake too early and thus must be abed by 7. So please call in time for us to be finished before then.

Good luck!

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Dear Harold,

Thanks so much for sending along to me your Dean Andrews file. I will be able to incorporate some of it into what I'm writing on Oswald's period in New Orleans and possible earlier trip to Mexico (which I am dating in the late July-early August period).

I believe that once you read what I've managed to put together on Nagell, you will see the merits in what he's been willing to put on record. I've spent many years gathering information about him, met with him on numerous occasions, and have interviewed quite a few people about him. There is also a Military Intelligence file, which I will be including in the book, which states specifically that the CIA assigned him to investigate Oswald, his wife, and anti-Castro exiles in the 1962-3 period.

As you requested, I am sending you copies of the articles I recently received from the Baltimore Sun archives about the 1954 plane crash in which he was the sole survivor.

I may call you again for some assistance, Harold, as I approach completion of the project. Thanks again for your help.

Sincerely,

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