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Senator Richard Russell
Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Russell, Attn. Mr. Campbell

In my previous letters I have showed you the purging of the records of the Warren Commission to remove from them and from the historic record what the members intended as an historic record of their attitude toward the Report as drafted and what they wanted in it as agreed to.

You then told me you suspected you were never told the real story of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Since then I have continued my researches and personal investigations. They result in more information along both lines. When we met I was about to return to New Orleans. There I interviewed a number of witnesses. These include some who were interviewed by the staff of the Commission and some who were not but should have been. What both say is inconsistent with what was adduced before the Commission. Most of these agreed to be interviewed on tape.

There is nowno doubt in my mind that the executive agencies and the Commission staff presented an entirely inadequate and false picture of Oswald to the members of the Commission and to the country and that to make this possible there were additional liberties taken with the Commission's records.

Should you be interested in details, I will be glad to discuss this with you under the same conditions as before.

There is a touch of mystery. On the 17th of this month a man I had interviewed, on tape, who then listened to a playback of the tape and reaffirmed it on tape, who supplied information about Oswald and his career and connections in New Orleans entirely at variance with the representation to the members of the Commission and who had confirming records he promised to copy for me, died in what is said to be an accident of the kind one would never expect a man with his occupied to sustain. I am convinced that if this man had been interviewed by an official he would have said much more than he told me. However, what he did tell me is more than enough to establish that you were deceived, particularly about Oswald.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg