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Dear Paul and Gary,

Attached are the replies by Kleindienst and State to our last letters, copies of which you already have. They just reached me today. I had written an addition to the addition on the suit, and I've written the insertion for that to cover these. Please let their content go no further. I am confident you will understand them as I do.

If you do not, when I've got retyped copies, I'll be sending them to you, so you'll see my analysis then. It should be devastating in court.

From time to time, I think we've reached the bottom, there is nothing worse of which government is capable. If, in our area, there is a difference, then this administration is even worse. How men not reared under swastikas could write such letters I do not know, unless they consciously long for them. From his own work on the Freedom of Information Act, I expect Paul to detect the misquotation and the deliberate misrepresentation and misinterpretation.

This gets kind of rough to live with, especially when my nerves are not in the best condition. So, I've laid the work aside to do the mail and ~~before~~ before getting into that, I wanted to get this ready to send.

Hope you are both having a good holiday. If you have any suggestions, no matter how obvious they seem, please let me have them when you can.

Sincerely,

Gary,

Also contributing to my edginess is the apparent correctness of the suspicion I recently communicated to you, some of my newest stuff does seem to have rescued John. Enclosed is his note received today. Unless he has made an incredible discovery, what he is referring to is pretty obvious. Because I have written the letters of which you have copies, to him and to Rhoads, I'm letting it rest here for now. I am not going to lie to him and I'm not going to let him worry me out of anything else for which I have plans. Or, did you tell him of the earlier version of this I had and either showed you or told you about? Or, if my recollection is correct, is he recalling it from PM, despite his promises? Apparently there will be no end to this kind of dishonesty and blackmail, unless I can out it to an end. But I do not want to do and say what I will have to. In any event, he cannot use this in proper context....How little a copyright can be made to mean if people are sufficiently unscrupulous.