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Dear unknown and unidentified inquirer,

Your form that I cannot identify for you, bearing the date January 1976 and postmarked at Allentown, Pa. January 16, has come and leaves me wondering about much.

First I would like to know why you are inquiting into my private affairs.

Next I would like to know on whose behalf.

I do not and never have sought credit so this cannot be a credit check.

This being the case I can find no normal (within my experience) explanation for this repetition. I am asking who made the request of you both times. Not only this but I want to know what other invasions of my right to privacy you are making and have made and on each occasion for whom. There is nobody in the world who needs a credit rating on me.

At four different places you identify me with the middle initial "D." I'd like to know the source of this. Your reference to "your [my] Business Information Report" is a falsehood. There is none. However, since you say it is available at my local office I'm asking you to send me a copy.

Nor have I asked for a Dun & Bradstreet listing.

I am of limited means and work only on a cash basis.

Under these circumstances I think the questions you ask are none of your business or anyone else's. That is why I ask the questions to which I do expect meaningful responses. I also expect you to be certain that if you have an inquiry it is a legitimate one. By this I mean not under cover for a federal agency. There is a reason. I sue the FBI with some regularity and success under the Freedom of Information Act. Two such cases are in federal courts now and one has gone to the Supreme Court. None has brought joy to any FBI hearts. They and other federal agencies have had an improper if not illegal interest in my writing. I have multiple proofs in my possession and I have made multiple requests for these files under FOIA and the Privacy Act.

With no apparent reason for this repetitious request I suggest that it serves your interest as well as mine for you to make a thorough investigation to be certain that you are not being used, whether or not innocently, in any improper endeavor.

The number appearing on this form is 07-745-3868. Opposite my name is 006. (How much closer can you get to 007?) Opposite your drawer number is 02.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

bcc: Some months ago, not long after the Sunday Balt. Sun feature on me, I had a phoned request from one representing himself as of B & B, Baltimore. He professed interest in or agreement with my work. I told him then there was no reason for any such report and I described my very small operation and was explicit that I did business on a cash basis only. It was at the time I was getting estimate on or preparing to print Post Mortem. He said that had no connection.