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Dear Russ,

Forgot to mail the enclosed clips yesterday. Keep them. Also, I'll be enclosing the new Vallee reports. Copy what you want and return. If I get a better set (and I've asked, through my lawyer, in the hope that may be inspirational), I'll send a copy to you.

You may be interested in the tape. I just made it off the air, WETA, Washington's very establishmentarian "educational" station. It is the last of the NET Black Journal series for 1969, though aired in 1970. It illuminates what I've been saying and I think you know, that these new murders have unified the black community as nothing, certainly not the King or Malcolm murders, did or could. I regard that as significant, and I think it bears on what others should and should not now be doing and using, what is and is not needed, can and can not make significant contributions at this juncture.

My lawyer on the government suits was up today. We file this one as soon as he prepares the papers. Who can guess when that will be? In an emergency he could do it in 48 hours. However, I expect him to proceed with care, to seek out the few other lawyers who have filed suits under this law, so I doubt it will be within the next few days! Also, nothing to be said. We'd just as soon catch their PR people unprepared, if that is possible, which I doubt. But we'd prefer to and we'd prefer not to give them lots of time to cook up phoney answers and phoney documentation to back it up.

After you have finished with this tape, you can return it.

Best to you both,