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8/31/94

Dear David,

From time to time we are reminded of you(pl) and are sorry you have not been here for so long. I presume you have a reason. If it has to do with what those pigs Posner and Livingstone wrote about me, that ranges from deliberate distortion to outright lies.

I have a very large book almost completed, Inside the JFK Assassination & Industry. In dealing with Livingstone I tell the Rick story straightforwardly.

I have heard, by the way, that G & G cancelled their contract with him for the next book. I do not know that this is true, but it will not surprise me if it is. If he does that himself, as in an interview of before his latest monster was out he said he would, that can bring some problems to a head.

I thought of you on discovering still more thievery that Rick only was in a position to do and Lifton only had an interest in.

In my New Orleans investigations I got a very, very good reason for looking into Kerry Thornley. He exaggerated his associations with Oswald. He was also Lifton's friend and remained that. In the course of my work I located a poet who when he lived in New Orleans knew Thornley. Thornley wrote him some ill-advised letters that <sup>are</sup> self-descriptive, of not a nice man. I had them in my overflow file because I have not been in touch with that source. Nobody working in the field <sup>uses his files as</sup> has any reason to know his names. Except Lifton. Who wanted those letters not to be around or perhaps saw how he could use them, if necessary, as he has done in the past, for blackmail. Only Lifton could have told Rick to check for such a file. Likewise, in my subject files, which you may recall are duplicate copies by name and subject, the duplicates of the FBI records on Thornley trying to become an informer for it are not gone. With only the same interest in wanting them rather than the readily available copies. Nobody who has ever worked here has ever expressed any interest in Thornley or has written about him.

There is more that can be only Rick. Who was covered up by the police internal affairs unit rather than straightened out. It will at some point come out and that will be worse than if it had been honest. But when it is not honest, how can the man on the beat be expected to be?

To the best of my recollection, I do not use your name in the book.

By the way, I've not heard from Al Cunniff, either.

Yours best,

David

# HAROLD WEISBERG

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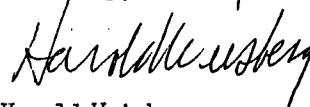
Dear Ms. Stephenson,

The enclosed copy of a report in the University of Maryland newspaper is for your file on Harrison Livingstone charging me, among other things, with indictable offenses.

I have highlighted his statement that he is working on another book because it relates to what I sent you earlier, his statement in an interview with the newsletter The Investigator in which he said that he would publish in this book that he would publish himself what he was not permitted to keep in the book since published. It is titled Killing the Truth, published by Carroll & Graf, New York.

I have read that book. It does charge me with, among other things that I believe violate the Maryland code, indictable offenses along the line indicated in his letters of which your file holds copies.

Sincerely,



Harold Weisberg

I would also like your file to reflect that last month I discovered other only-copy files that are missing and can have been stolen only by the Baltimore city policeman moonlighting for Livingstone, Richard Waybright. Nobody else ever worked in the file cabinets from which those two files were stolen. They are on a subject about which another writer for whom Waybright works is writing a book due this coming year.

Records, disappearance of

11/25/93 5:15 p.m.

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I had two "Agent Oswald" files but one with that number on the folder. It did include a Rankin memo on his and Warren's conversations of the Texans of the Texas Court of Inquiry. This number was in Rankin's memo. I remember it pretty clearly. Unlike so many Commission records, it was a clear memo, neatly typed and probably the ribbon copy. I had other relevant information in that file.

Both of these files are entirely missing. Both were in the Oswald drawer in my office. John checked the entire drawer. Neither file showed up. Nor did it any other place I could think of ~~xxx~~ checking.

We checked the overflow files in the basement. It was, rather they were not shifted there by mistake.

I do not recall anyone ever working in those files. Nobody working on an Oswald book was ever here.

If these do not show up elsewhere it is not easy for me to believe that they were stolen by any who worked here. The one possibility, and he expressed no interest in that, was Baltimore Policeman Richard Waybright, who was here often working for Harry Livingstone. If he had taken them and given them to Harry he surely would have found some way of making some use of some of that material. There is the possibility, perhaps, that Waybright stole them for Lifton, who was working on an Oswald book and for whom Waybright also worked.

Waybright never mentioned the subject of Oswald as an agent to me. But he could have spotted those file folders in browsing.

That drawer had been so overfilled that I had no space in it. I had to put some special research I did on Jean Davison's book in the front of the drawer below. But now there is enough room in the Oswald drawer for the Davison research, about two inches in folder. So, something is missing from the Oswald drawer and these two Agent Oswald file folders are not there.

11/26: Because these files are in my office they could not have been taken by those who worked in my FOIA records, in the basement. Aside from a burglary I can think of nobody who in many, many years worked in my office files other than Waybright. This is to day that I can think of nobody other than Waybright who could have taken them.

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Dear Dave and,

*Way might,*

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Gallen's letter that with my response is enclosed did disturb me. There is something other than he indicates because as you will see, I gave no indication of any distrust and had none. Lil and I have theories about it but no more.

I think that on NEVER AGAIN! he is thinking stereotypically <sup>as</sup> ~~in~~ an orthodox publisher regarding all subjects and all books as alike and to be thought of and treated as all others are. I'm disappointed at his lack of vision and of giving it any real thought at all. He also did not discuss anything with me. From his letter it seems that he plans ~~it~~ for the next anniversary. If I had any alternative I'd probably accept it. But I can think of none. I doubt the Sheridan Squate people will have anything to with me after that Oliver Stone business. But the book is a natural for them and the little in it they might not like I'd not object to eliminating.

The John Newman were here for Thanksgiving dinner, improvised, and I was able to help him. I was also much impressed both by him and the work he is doing in the newly-available CIA records. I then also discovered more theivery. I've a separate memo on that. I told him how the one record in particular that would be important for him can be duplicated at the archives and by 10 .n. he had done that and phoned me about it. He sees the importance I do in it and I am pretty sure, more. That is the actual Oswald number the Texans gave Rankin and Warren, Not S-172 but a CIA number, 110669.

He is also working on a book on Kennedy and Cuba. We discussed that only briefly.

I think it is a great idea. He was interested in some of the things I said about it and about Tiger to Ride.

The CIA lied about not having any interest in Oswald and he has the proof, including the three components that had special interest. He has not been able to get any satisfactory explanation from it.

We got so animated and involved in talking that we forgot to open the bottle of excellent wine they brought.

Jerry did get to meet him briefly. He said you and he had met.

He is going to send me the full prepared statement he gave to the Conyers committee.

If you want a copy please let me know.

I've only a little bit more to do on Livingstone and then I'll lay it aside unread until after - read the retyped Hoax ms.

hope you all had a good holiday,

*Harold*