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Dear Ed,

Appreciate your phoning after Cyril's show. If personally I am disappointed in him saying what he did in 1972, as I would not have been based on what we knew in 1968, frankly, for other reasons that as of today I think more important, I'm glad he did. I think it reduces even further his chance to see the stuff now.

On book approaches: I have made the kind of proposal you think might have some slight possibility. I have followed it with a second, to a personal friend, for consideration should this one not work. I think that the sensationalism in what I have proposed is inherent, not requiring sensationalist (apologies to Belin) treatment. I think less separates our views now. If I am not happy with my lot, I see no acceptable alternative.

Should you get a copy of Kaiser in West, JP sent it. I've asked them for time for response and said a bit of what I proposed to say.

JB also sent Janeway's Atlantic review Vantage Point. It just occurred to me how close to completely honest LBJ was in the title, Only left two letters out, Ad-.

= In odd moments I've been reading Khrushchev Remembers. Despite Crankshaw, I find it fairly honest and brutally frank. Compared to LBJ, he is the incorruptible. I've seen no professional comparisons, match.

I've not seen the New Sahandria yet. Understand it is on Bundy.

I find such things as Esquire has done difficult to understand. Perhaps after I read the piece I may. But one possibility is that, with a decision on an evidentiary hearing pending, they may then claim credit.

Been typing too much today. Thanks for everything.

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