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Dear Mark,

So far as I now know it is OK for your December-January break. But better check about that time.

Of course you are welcome to read my comments on your thesis and we can discuss it.

I don't have and don't remember hearing about the video, "Ruby and Oswald." From the title I am inclined to believe that no matter how attractive it is still crap and worse than worthless. Anything that misrepresents and misleads is.

I know Groden very well. He never answers letters and I can't explain why. Neither has he.

Prouty lives in Alexandria, Va. 4201 Beachtree St., zip 22304. For the same purpose you may also want to consider the Association of National Security Alumni. David MacMichael of Washington is the director. He is a former CIA estimates officer. Disenchanted, he quit the CIA.

Commentary is a neocon Jewish monthly. That article appeared toward the end of 1966, to the best of my recollection. It may have been a little later.

I'd heard of the Connie Chung Brando interview but didn't watch it.

Hope school is going well and that you are taking first things first, meaning schoolwork and school work.

Best,

Harold

October 9, 1989

Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Your last letter, as usual, contained points well taken. I sent off my paper to Prof. Wrone and if he can ever spare some time to read through it, so be it.

I have break during December 23-January 7. I will be away with my family until January 2. Is it possible to meet with you sometime between January 2 and January 7? At that time we can go over my paper and my present research topic.

I recently obtained a video entitled, "Ruby and Oswald" which was very interesting. It appears to be from the 1970s as I recognize several of the actors who are in it. Do you know of this, though I suppose you do. It was actually very good, not that I agreed with the attitude taken as it was based on the Warren Commission's findings, but the overall planning of the movie was quite good. In fact, the resemblance of the actors to the principal characters was uncanny. They really did fit the part.

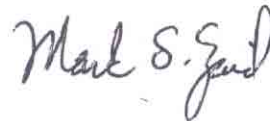
Do you speak to Robert Grodin at all? I am a little disappointed in him, he has ignored two of my letters completely. I expect that from Dr. Baden and Dr. Lattimer, but not from Mr. Grodin. Do you have an address and phone number for L. Fletcher Prouty? I am organizing a symposium on Justice Robert Jackson ( he is an alum of Albany Law School! ) which will revolve around international law. I would like to bring into the conference the question of where the CIA falls within international law. Mr. Prouty, I feel, would be an ideal person to explain the unofficial role the CIA has taken over the years. He is a member of the Assassination Archives as I am so I should be able to get his number from Mr. Lesar, but if you have it, that would save me some time.

The name of the magazine that Mr. Fein? wrote that article is entitled Commentary? Do you have any idea when that was published? If I remember correctly, Commentary is a Jewish magazine is it not? By the way, off the subject, I saw an interview by Connie Chung the other night

with Marlon Brando, and I had the uncanny feeling I was watching an interview between Connie and you. I don't know if you watched it, but your views on attitude, loyalty, the world, are very similar.

Let me know if January is a convenient time for you. I hope all is well.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mark S. Zaid". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Mark S. Zaid