

Dear Jim,

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Don't flip over this letter to Wallace. I'd have made an approach long ago if Bud had not before I could. I've also had his Attorney General, who is also his political enemy, in mind on aspects of the King case. I think it is not at all impossible that Wallace may be willing to be of help on King and that he can be.

Now that he is out of the campaign and if he wants to talk, you know what I can give him on King and JFK and what attention to it can do. He can get it this attention.

And it can help him.

Please make the request for all the pages of the diary not used in evidence in the P.G. trial and for all the Department's analyses, investigations and all other records about or in any way relating to the diary, including but not limited to its investigations of the leads in the diary and its search for the part said to have been hidden.

If you are willing to go farther, make it for everything - all investigative reports, all scientific work of any nature, all considerations of federal jurisdiction and prosecution - everything you can think of, regardless of exemptions. Let them claim the exemptions they do not have to claim and let Wallace ponder the invocation if they do invoke.

If you make the broader request, please make it in a separate one and file them both together, that is, at the same time.

I'd be as brief and general as possible.

I have other reasons, too. One is that I have always loaded more on them every time they pull dirty stuff on me. I want to continue this. Maybe they will at some point learn I am not just going to go away and that they'll pay for every dirtiness in every way I can try.

I'm telling Les Payne but no other reporter. If Wallace checks on me of course Whitten and Bill Loeb will know. I'd prefer no present publicity.

This may be the case on which we may want to make an issue of forcing complete compliance, as in specifying each and every field office record. The reactionaries are at some point going to bathe in the bitter FBI tears about the amount of work the law imposes on them and Dugan has already claimed in court that they are not required to search all filed offices.

If you agree my hunch is that the way to do this is not to specify the field offices but to add language requiring it. Not that the law does not already. Like "all records, wherever stored." Or "including but not limited to FBI central files." My hunch is enough to let them know we are locking horns on their contrivance and on the other political sides. I mean for them to anticipate the possibility of at some point feeling political pressures of a kind they've never had. This can do that.

If we have to try to teach a new crew that we fight and how we are willing to attempt to fight, why wait? They need the nudging now, while we are before Green and Robinson and when what I anticipate will be a strong remand impends.

Lee is going to ask his paper for an okay on a simple affidavit saying only that in the course of following leads I gave him he obtained confirmation of the FBI's and the MPD's penetration of the Invaders and published this confirmation and that his investigation established the fact that the operatives inside the Invaders were provocateurs. Limiting the affidavit to what Newsday has published I think removes those questions papers usually have.

Best,