

Dear Jimmy,

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If you caught this morning's CBS TV news and the tiny segment on the press conference I held yesterday you have only the slightest idea of what happened, what I said, what I dumped by way of proven charges on the FBI, DJ lawyers, Francisco and the prosecution and what I've already gotten on the new suit for suppressed evidence in your case. CBS had it scheduled for last night's Cronkite show but they chickened out on it/me at the last minute.

Bud still hasn't seen this stuff. He was there for only a short while. Jim has a copy of all of it and I offered everyone, including CBS, copies of all. A helpful Congressman provided the facilities.

As an example of CBS's diligence in the pursuit of and speed in presenting news, what they aired today they aired only because I forced it yesterday. In the course of their special kinds of dirty tricks Justice gave it to CBS before they gave it to Jim for me. CBS has had it from 12/1. So why do you think they waited 10 days to air it?

I was much too tired to do as good a job of organizing and presenting this new material as only a drop in the bucket to what I've proof they are withholding and I do expect to get - but I'm now hopeful that in the future I'll have the kind of help I need. What I should have done is written out a short summary of the contents and attached xeroxes. The impact of what I did was enough on new people who have the skills. Jim thinks we will be able to swing the xeroxing. I had a few your college friends in the audience and they were spoken to by people who work for other Congressmen who sent staff members where they could not attend themselves.

I've been after this stuff for a long time. Max could do nothing about the stonewalling except make a record until Jim filed the appeal. As soon as he did he filed my complaint. Once he did this he aborted the cozy play with CBS and they had to start disgorging. Well, as usual, they gave me proof of continued withholding of the exculpatory. This time, instead of waiting for court, I had special reasons for specifying it. There are other cozy games being played and I want to make them less easy.

It was not possible to make the effort to get this new evidence until after the law was amended and effective. By that time we were too deep into your appeal to do more than make the initial filing.

My own opinion is that when Jim and I are finished, with what I know they have and are still withholding and had before they started to extradite you and have withheld since we have a whole new and solid case not only exculpatory but of framing. These papers are all dated.

The proof that the Canale story on the windowsill is absolute fraud was developed by the FBI before they lied you. Ditto on Francisco's perjury.

Yesterday I spoke tougher and made it a point to say it was deliberate. I charged Francisco with deliberate perjury and proved it in his own words. I could have present more but didn't, because it relates to an aspect of the evidentiary hearing. It goes back to Rochae and while I've not had a chance to discuss it with Jim I think it might be best to hold it for oral arguments. If not I'll be holding further press conferences with the kind of support I had yesterday. I can't go into the details now.

It is too early to know what if any treatment the papers gave this but I know from calls to me that the wire services have a good play and four radio networks interviewed me. This is just the beginning, I believe.

Some your students have been the difference. I still haven't been able to drive to Washington. These kids got turned on by hearing me speak. They will not let me undertake what they think I shouldn't. So, they've arranged what amounts to a car pool to take me to things like yesterday and every trip to the doctor and back. The phlebitis is slowing me down but I think these kinds are helping the recovery by making it possible for me to avoid doing more than I should.

I caught the FBI contriving phoney photographic proof for CBS that Praxier had not sworn falsely about the ballistics evidence and proved it and showed with comparisons that even the manufacturers' catalogues and our pictures are more informative than what was hoken up for CBS. Or, I don't think there now is any chance that CBS will pull that phoney one in their special, now rescheduled for the 2d.

During the course of this I made a new and valuable contact and turned him over to Jim. His story, also "new evidence," is in complete accord with something we already have. With the interest continuing in the mail I'd best go no farther.

Don't be afraid of us giving the FBI or DJ anything. Except trouble. Yesterday I ridiculed Levi, as I had in two certified letters and one to the Deputy AG, saying that of all his foxes he had put those with the mouths still bloody in charge of the chicken house - that those in charge are those needing investigation - and he has then investigating themselves and the errant FBI?

If and when the time comes that they should consider wanting help in investigating- and understand this is a typical government dodge never intended seriously- the only way we can help them is by exposing their crookedness. Think they want that? Think they want me pinpointing each perjury, each corruption of evidence, each suppression of what you were ~~entitled~~ entitled to from the first? That they want FBI agents up on charges or lawyers in trouble with the bar?

Don't worry on these scores and it is better not to send letters of this kind to people like CBS. They can't do any good and they can be used against you.

I did delay the press conference for two days for special reasons and it worked out well. (I had a much larger audience- maybe four-fives times as large- as the investigation of the Oswald letter to the FBI, which was held at the same time and included some who started with me. I could not delay it longer than yesterday because I know the FBI has made deals with two major papers and I wanted to make a clear record in advance of the appearance of those stories, one of which was scheduled for this a.m.

In letters I have felt it best not to send you copies or I have already charged the DJ with its people conspiring to deny you your civil rights. Certified. So, they'll not answer certified charges on which I have the receipts showing they got them or they'll make a response that can't in any way be hurtful and makes the top DJ officials witting. I have the proof.

I have to rush this because last night for the first time in some time I got fair sleep. For several night I have been able to get little. So, I got up later and have much to do, beginning with taking my wife grocery shopping. I did not get the letter of which Jim got his copy yesterday. It will come in today's mail, when this will go out, with the errors uncorrected.

There is more of the Cliff nonsense. Canadian radio networks started calling me last night before last on this. They said the FBI interviewed Cliff when he was released from jail in Calgary. They told me yesterday that the FBI denied it. CBS admits they have Cliff on file.

In any event, take hope. There are no sure things but I've got a very promising one started and it is not a one-shot. Because they are still intercepting the mail I will go no further now. Please continue to keep a record of all the interceptions and get and send me the regulations I asked for before. This can have a significance I have no way now of repeated to you. But do it. Keep a record. I've now got the right connection for doing something with it.

If there is any coverage in the local papers, send it to us so we can get an idea of how it was handled. The Tennessean was there and the correspondent was like a straight, honest reporter should be. I take it there was no reporting of my debate with Selin the night before I saw you but I also take it you noticed the results in what I forced him to do in charging his position. This is a reading you might consider can have some significance for you in that it represents his reflection of his personal mood and a change in national attitude to which he has to try to adjust as best his crooked record permits. It can reach to Tennessee to Memphis, too.

There was a slight confusion in your earlier letter but nothing serious. Hastily,