

FOI (ain't) in Canada; Zapruder (under lock and key is)
2/20/75 call from producers John Martin and ? Kastner, CBC TV who are doing a documentary
on the situation of and need for FOI legislation there.
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They were told there was a Wall Street Journal article on this new suit. It
coincides with the introduction of FOI proposals by an opposition member of Parliament.

The government responded with a statement of 16 categories they'd died before
disclosing, some so ridiculous, Martin said, can't be believed. One he remembered was
anything that would reflect upon an office holder! Another is the volume of papers.

He says the restraints there are worse than in England.

I gave him an understanding that it is not really freedom of information here, if
there are not those restraints.

He'll probably be coming down on this documentary.

They aired the Z film from a Gregory press conference (he thought Tennessee).

He wanted to be sure it was preserved and wanted to take a closer look. They whole
net is up tight about it and nobody can see it. They won't even talk internally about it.

He doesn't know the reason. I told him about the CTV experience and suggested it
was because the footage had been sold by an independent agency, Time suing.

They actually thought that anyone could see what the FBI had on him!

I told him I knew of nothing the government had been forced to turn loose that
hurt any proper function and nothing that had been withheld that had not been withheld
because disclosure would embarrass officialdom. To expect that there would be few
requests for genuine defense information and that it would be alleged in defense whenever
possible. Illustrations, CAS 718-70 and 2502-73.

Suggested their reading begin with original and subsequent hearings, committee
and conference reports.

The Z footage is being shown! that he said means that the government network there
aired it.