Mr. Neil Cotler, AA to Congressman John Conyers House of Representatives Washington, D.C.

Dear Neil,

while I can travel better than before it is still not easy and I'm doing no more than I must. I'll learn how I can hold up to driving to D.C. on the 15th, when I leave to make a speech. On the 16th I expect to see Ray.

The Congressman said he'd like us to get together again this mounth.

If this is still his desire and if he is in Washington, I have to be there 1#/21 for a calendar call in C.A. 75-1996 the earlier stages of which produced the evidence of which you know. It is set for 10 a.m., but that does not mean there will not be other business before the court. I'll be free after that.

I have a 10:30 doctor's appointment that should not take much time February 4. I'll be free after that.

If the Congressman will not want to see me either day I'd appreciate knowing because then I'll take the bus, which will limit the time I'll have in Washington.

The FBI statement to the Senate committee about Hoover's approval of the planting of a story to force King to move may have been a deliberate bum steer. There was no such story. King was taken to the Rivermont Motal by the Memphis police in the first place and was there a short time only, a matter of hours. (The Rivermont is a Holiday Inn, the "white" place.)

There can have been a reason for the FBI's pulling this. It sure got everybody running the wrong way and forgetting any other. I'm following what I believe the FBI may have been trying to hide. I have initial confirmation, which is less than full proof. If it pans out you'll know.

To help you and the Congressman understand, King would have been at the Lorraine under normal circumstances anyway and did not go to the Rivermont on his own.

Hope you all had a good holiday.

Best regards,

Harold Weisberg