

Dear Jim,

5/19/80

If I hadn't felt inordinately weak and tired this very nice day I'd not have been in the house looking at the NBC's broadcast of a baseball game and if I'd not been looking at it I'd not have been aware of the broadcast I refer to in this letter to Barger. I wish I'd thought to tape it but I'm a bit sluggish and didn't.

While Hoover and the FBI may have been less innocent than the records make them look, it is true and the ~~32-2722~~ case record reflects (transcripts case) that he did get Nosenko to agree to testify before the WC after Nosenko told the FBI the KGB suspected that Oswald was a sleeper agent. *Oh possibly CIA, but not FBI.*

Before the CIA then started toying with Nosenko's mind he might have given the WC testimony the CIA didn't want it to have on this. Remember, those in the CIA who made up all those theories are those who had something to worry about from such testimony. Miller was going to have him killed or driven insane, laterally. He is one of Epstein's major sources in Legend. (No prosecution for violation of his CIA contract, either.)

There was never a time when the KGB had to worry about being blamed for the crime. That, too, is a CIA invention. So there was no purpose in sending Nosenko.

As to the kind of anti-KGB info Nosenko provided, it is he who told the CIA how to locate about 50 bugs inside the US Moscow embassy. That is hardly throw-away information.

I don't know if this will be of interest to Mark Lynch and I don't want to bother him if it isn't likely to be. The extra copies are for him if you think he'd be interested.

Best,

Handwritten signature

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Langley*

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5/19/84

Dear Dr. Barger,

Because I saw an announcement of it I looked at NBC's show In Search of this afternoon. I write in the event you do not like being used as the basis of dangerous inflammatory misinformation.

Epstein and Eddowes, both notoriously inaccurate in the past, are ^{again} as presented on this show. The basic conjecture of the show, adopted from the untenable theory of those in the CIA who abused Nosenko so seriously for three years, is untenable, in fact pointless.

Epstein said it was Hoover and the FBI that kept Nosenko from testifying before the Warren Commission. Quite the opposite, Hoover got Nosenko's agreement to testify. After this a) the CIA began its rough treatment of Nosenko and b) talked the Warren Commission out of questioning him. Among the little-known records relating to this is an executive session transcript I got by FOIA lawsuit.

The KGB had no need to send any disinformation agent to the U.S. to influence the official conclusions because they were leaked by the FBI, first publication 12/2/63, more intensively with publication three days later.

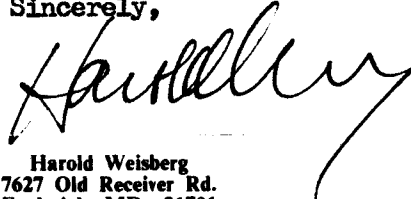
It is not news that Oswald's diary was not "spontaneous writing." It is well known that he cooked this up on the ship returning to the U.S. There is no basis for the conjecture by the handwriting "expert" that the KGB supervised his writing because it has no content of any use to the KGB.

Eddowes is irrationally anti-Soviet, to the point of helping them rather than hurting them. He and the show were both dishonest with regard to the scar from the mastoidectomy because it was found when the body was dug up. The report was published in a medical journal.

If you like I can expand considerably on all these points.

Meanwhile, the FBI is still hiding its recordings of the Dallas Police broadcasts and all records pertaining to them. They are pertinent in one of my current FOIA lawsuits. To date the FBI has only been untruthful in its attestations relating to those recordings.

Sincerely,



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P.S. If you make any further statements about the analyses of those recordings I would appreciate a copy.