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Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

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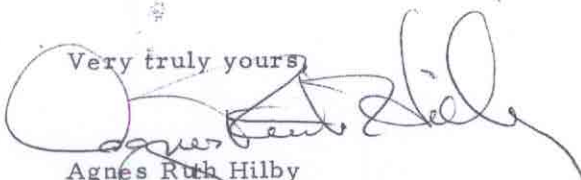
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Your letter of January 15, 1970 to Mr. Garry has finally had his attention in one of his infrequent visits to the office. I am sure that you are aware of his overwhelmingly busy trial schedule, and his inability to attend to his mail more promptly.

Mr. Garry has asked me to write you that he is very interested in your writing and your investigations and would appreciate any information that you could provide for him. If it is possible, would you please provide information relating to threats against the life of the President.

Very truly yours,



Agnes Ruth Hilby  
Secretary to Charles R. Garry

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