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Homer,

We've managed to boil down the results of our investigation to these questions. If we can get them answered satisfactorily, I think we'll be able to conclude that Ray was the assassin and that he acted alone.

Needless to say, we've found not a shred of evidence that the Bureau was involved in the murder, or that it spared any effort in tracking Ray down. The only points that are still troublesome, as I think the questions reflect, are whether FBI, in its cagerness to catch Ray, overlooked loads that might have indicated a conspiracy; and whether Ray was indeed a lone assassin. If we can resolve both those thing I think we'll be able to put an end to speculation to the contrary.

Let me know what the prospects arc.

Best regards,

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