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Mr. Tom Susman, Counsel
Administrative Practices Subcommittee
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Tom,

We have one mail a day. It goes and comes at the same time. The mail that took my earlier letter to you brought me the enclosed from GSA. In this case I'm sending you all of what I received because it is not much and will not burden you.

It is possible that I will be in Frederick in time to make an outgoing mail. If I am this will be in it. If it and the other letter reach you at the same time the enclosed records may mean more to you if you read the others first.

In Mankin's 6/22/70 he appears to find need for ellipsis. By "a document involved in the transfer of April 1965" he is referring to what is known as the "Memorandum of Transfer." finally obtained it and published it in facsimile and the world did not come apart. In fact I felt not even a ripple.

My today's letter to Garfinkel explains enough of the other two letters I received today. In the event it does not I add that long before the earlier date on the records I received today I had requested the government's copy of the memo of transfer. In one of the records I received Saturday and I think I mailed you today, a carbon of a ~~SEE~~ Mankin memo dated at the bottom of the second page as 6/9/70, it is admitted that "there is little doubt that the receipted copy constitutes a federal record. This being the case the private paper argument is not available, as to the receipted copy."

June 9 was just before the letter to Marshall.

If there may appear to be the appearance of concern over the feelings of the Kennedy family in this business I do not believe it was the cause, whether or not it was even a factor. To one knowing the fact of the assassination and its investigation and the content of the memo of transfer there is no possibility of doubt that by these tricks to perpetuate or delay release of the record involved embarrassment to officials was avoided. By "fact of the assassination" I mean what is officially represented as fact, not theories.

I believe there also is FOIA relevance.

Garfinkel is the one who did not supply Judge A. Robinson of us with the memo I sent you indicating that the real reason they withheld the Warren Commission executive session transcript of 1/27/64 was to protect Gerald Ford from what he had done.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

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