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Dear Mr. Fensterwald:

I had read your story in the magazine of November 1973. It dawned on me that you and people like you can stay alive, make money, get along very well just as long as you are only on the fringe of things. I've had to learn to stay alive even though I know the truth.

In your story you point out what Johnson said. Right, but he controlled the so called Murder Inc. and it was what he had done that caused him to grow old before his time and die not of the usual heart trouble but a broken heart. Jack was a young, vibrant person. As President he thought he could run the show. The missiles in Cuba were phony. He thought he could capture the Russian plot. Of course he wouldn't have but it was enough. Bob had to go because Johnson feared he would become President. He knew what Jack knew. So goes Ted, the winner stays in. It runs as long as we have a C.I.A. It was then that Murder Inc. stopped.

King is another story. He had called me one about that he would have if someone tried to kill him. He said, "This night three weeks before it was to happen King told Jimmy Ray that, 'I will put a great deal of emphasis on the fact that I am not afraid to die. I'll talk about it. I'll say to you that we'll do it'. The only trouble was that when the firing was the finger was on the trigger and pulling down the trigger killed King on the balcony. As he reached down the bullet went into the neck instead of his shoulder. Ray was supposed to be a hit.

No, Jimmy Ray will never get a chance to tell his story. Actually he got \$2,000. I was there.

If you want to talk about the things I know, put me in Personak, Luderdale News beginning of '74, 1000 N.E. As long as we have a C.I.A. I'll stay alive my way

St. Lauderdale, Fla.,
March 4, 1971

Mr. Bernard Fensterwald Jr.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Fensterwald:

When Jim Ray was "tried" the first time and when he was given 99 years, I was in an Arab jail in Jordan. I went over there to help a good friend of mine. He was being held by another good friend of a three year stint in Arabia. I could never figure how or why I was held until recently, I had told only one other person about the King vendetta. Even after checking out the number in D.C. I could never call. I was with the C.I.A. from the beginning (1948) until 1957.

IF he gets another trial I'll be there. How laughter, maybe, is all he was ever guilty of in the first place. That's why I was in jail on a phony charge and why my gravelly voice on the phone in the D.C. district would start another chain of events.

So it has dawned on me since writing you that you could never use anything I tell you safely.

Sincerely,

Roy

you should see what I have to do with this typewriter to keep it going.

February 28, 1974

Lauderdale News
Lauderdale, Florida

Dear Sir:

Please run the following item in your "Personals"
for three days and bill our law firm:

Roy: Meet me anywhere but phone
me first to make arrangements
202-223-1667. When you telephone
use the name Dr. King.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Fensterwald, Jr.

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