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Dear Bud,

While there is no need for him to be embarrassed, Jim is embarrassed about not having had time to read the chapters of The Unimpeachment of Richard Nixon he was to have made a trip to Florida to discuss.

He just has not had time. If he has not been able to keep you up to date, he has been too busy. Some of this work has been productive as I'm fairly certain you'll know soon enough.

From the amount of time required of me, I can only guess how much more it required of him.

He has a complete copy of the unread ms, with additions to be made as footnotes, with the chapters that have to be junked, etc. He also has and is going to return to me the records of my costs in duplicating it. I am absorbing this cost.

If you have any other candidate for reading it - and Jim just will not be able to please let me know.

By now I have quite a Ford package if there is genuine interest.

Have you begun to realize what the Schweiker operation really was and how it was brought about?

If there is the willingness the possibilities not only remain- they are better.

I can hardly imagine a more important national need to be addressed now.

But it is impossible for me to undertake any initiatives.

I have obtained a copy of your Gaudet interview. If Scott has not yet taken it to you, as he could not when he promised to, he will after this weekend. He is an hour and a half overdue here now. He is back in summer school. There was a flood and his father barked orders about cleaning the muck out of the garage when Scott was to have taken this to you for copying.

If you have not obtained them 86 pages in addition to the CIA's 1466 are now available. Plus a meaningless list of those withheld. There is to be a better listing. I may not be alone in pushing them. I received this word from them day before yesterday.

To the degree possible I have acquired more info on what the Rays are and have been up to. It is not inconsistent with what I've told you. Jerry appears to have broken off from my pressures, or to have taken time to inquire because of them.

If among the Nashville lawyers who did not like you you can recall one that died in the past couple of years, well-off and far-right, I'd be interested in known the name(s). From 1973 on even Ryan has been working behind our backs. This is in case Jim has not told you.

It appears that Schweiker/Hart et al bowed to spook pressure and excised a fair percentage of their final report, including some LBJ notions. If you have any info on this I'd welcome it. I have read the report with care. It amounts to a job for both Ford and the spooks. Sincerely,