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Dear Paul, Jim,

I spent yesterday in Dad's office, most of the time going over complaints with him and his assistants. However, before he got too busy (and he was gone most of the day and hadn't returned by the time I had to leave), I did get to talk to him about making some worthwhile material available. This will be done.

I have had one of his files since early this year. As was supposed to go over it with me some weekend, when he was supposed to come up. It didn't happen. I returned it yesterday, for a number of reasons.

Much of it is from a confidential source, one he must protect. However, I worked out a formula with him that is acceptable to him and protects this interest, that no use be made of any of the confidential material except as an aid in furthering the cause that he is committed to. The source is a woman who will be preparing some of his material for the purpose. Some of the material, I believe, will be going over it.

After Dad left, I talked with Dick about this, requested the material, and left it with him. It may be that further conferring will be necessary, on parts of it. I suggested that three copies be made and identified by Dick, and would keep one and let you and me have one. This is correct, and all the other identical references to such documents and all such references will be taken out of the work he is doing.

It is copied, but needs identification. It will be copied and will be copied and will require preparation. I will be going over it.

With your wishes that you are not of any of the material, it is probably it will be prepared soon. This involves the copying of a number of pages, and while the total amount of time will not be great, I will be going over it as I've suggested to Dick that he use this and make of this for the time that he comes to a good break just before lunch, or if he is waiting for someone, etc.

Of the things we can learn from this material is the identification of the GAP people not interviewed, that certain names are of GAP people, etc. I have already learned that the FBI did not go to another obvious and known source for all the GAP records. The investigators, all former FBI men, were able to make this exhaustive Ferris investigation, in which they had access to police files, without any reference to any of Ferris's other connections, or any that would lead to several people, although they were probably known. I have spent some time on this was merely instinctive. There is one thing of which I may not be able to tell you a copy, but I can ask this question (and one of the things I have in mind is "Devil to Pay" and Jack Youngblood); do we have any correlation with gun-smuggling from Miami, discussed 8/13/67... IF it meets with your approval, I suggest that anything you may be led to by this material you send to me in duplicate, so that I can go over it and, where I have anything, annotate before giving to you, and back to you. It is possible I will know some things about some of the people, and other things: Dean Andrews had a much closer relationship to Ferris that had been indicated earlier in anything we had. The nature of the relationship is unknown, but it is more than fixing tickets in Jeff Parish and involved at least one nocturnal visit to Ferris's home, etc.