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Mr. Donald Freed
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I presume this duplicates what you sent Dave Holland, who had asked to read the Sirhan script. If not, he will know by a carbon that I have them and will deliver them.

I was in Washington yesterday for medical consultation only. I did not attempt to speak to Dave. I left a message of hope and concern with his service only.

There is nothing serious wrong with me, a medical determination countless will contradict on other grounds. Nor permanent, But I am under injunction to restrict my activities, sleep longer, etc. I am told that whatever this is will pass off within a couple of weeks.

I did not know you and Kimbrough were collaborators. He approached Jimmy Ray after you and I were in touch. Jimmy would have nothing to do with him but he did send me what Kimbrough wrote him.

He generally does. This includes cash offers. He rejects them all.

I presume you now have a fair ~~mutual~~ understanding of the relationship I have with all the Rays. I think I encapsulated this for you. Kimbrough apparently does not understand this.

While I do not presume that because you and Kimbrough collaborated on Sirhan you also do on Ray, because of this incident I would welcome the assurance. My purpose is as simple as it is obvious. Without it there would remain the suspicion that you are also working behind my back. I neither believe nor infer it, but let us leave it clean and unequivocal. Others are, as I believe I told you, and it was reported to me immediately. In that case it was one with whom you had a past association the exact nature of which I neither know nor have inquired into. Nor will.

Besides, in representing me I am certain Dave will have this question.

My current medical problems are neither serious nor permanent. One is fatigue, and it interferes with my recollections, temporarily. I believe you said you are working on your own Watergate book. If this is true, then we are on it competitors. If it is not true, then I have in hand what is of such a nature that there is no possibility of commercial interest and as soon as I can I will begin still another "underground" book. As of this moment I am without the means of paying for printing it. (I am also under medical injunction against beginning the writing.) What our Glorious Leader has just done with his editing of his version of his tapes enhances what I have already done enormously. If he had dedicated himself to this synergism he could not have succeeded more.

When the restrictions on me are lifted; I am talking about at most a month's work and I am not talking about any think-piece but of fact and documentation, possess.

So, if we on this are not competitors, and if between us in this time there will be no barrelhead stuff, I would welcome the interest of those you know, particularly those who supported McGovern. Two thoughts on this. For people of means I have in mind what is a pittance; and time is short.

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