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Dear John,

On the return trip, I didn't even get above-ground in NYC. Met Sylvia at Penn Station between trains and got home at a reasonable hour, so I could start on the accumulation.

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One thing we failed to discuss is important. I'd appreciate it if when you can you take your Dell file to Pavsner's office and let them copy it. If you could send me a list of it, I'd know if there is anything I do not have. You may have a complete file of my Meredith correspondence on Flammonde. If you'd let them copy that and again let me know the dates of the letters, it will save time and money in giving him a complete file and more, my copying machine has needed servicing I cannot afford for two months, so the little use that remains in it will be husbanded for where there is no alternative. Gellen has the complete Meredith-Jay David (Bill Adler) file.

Among the things that clutter me more is the request from a Baltimore lawyer I've asked to represent me in my helicopter suit that I take the entire file to him so he can deliberate and decide whether he'll take the case. That is now assembled and I leave for Balt. this a.m. (I'll phone Art).

Also, for my own purposes and for John's, it is essential that I know where you have submitted COUP and POST MORTEM. Can you let me know? I've asked Dottie also.

Sylvia Meagher has a copy of POST MORTEM III: SECRETS OF THE KENNEDY AUTOPSY. This is the third of the autopsy trilogy. If you'd like to read it, phone her (CH2-4293) after working hours. If she has any misgivings, I'll write her, for she is a very conscientious person. There will be more to the appendix, what is there will be better annotated, and I'll be adding excerpts from Dr. Cyril Wecht in D.C. and a chapter on the trial there. The usual epilogue.

The LOOK writings of Hule- Hanes*Foreman strengthen my argument. They prove pretty well not only that Ray would not have been convicted, but had he been, he'd never have been sentenced to death, when they are properly analyzed. But I'll have to get all the other stuff cleared up before I can return to that writing.

Meanwhile, there is a slight chance I may be establishing a kind of dialogue with the new administration in the Department of Justice. I've asked them for access to all the transcripts in the Ray and Washington-autopsy proceedings and for copies of the 200-page evidence, if that is the appropriate word, they gave the British court on Ray. Plus a few other things.

Sorry I didn't get to see your father. Hope you and Sonia can make it soon. I'll put a new ribbon on before I write again.

Sincerely,

John-P.S.

When I was in New York I spoke to a Rev. Kirkpatrick, SCLC, 666-7729. He was to be in Washington Sunday, driving his own car, and was to have come here on his way back and examine what I have. He did not come, did not call. Will you please call him and, if you can, find out why?

He was going to try and have Rev. Bevel with him. Bevel is in the Philadelphia SCLC office and has said Ray is innocent. Though not a lawyer, he had offered to defend Ray and had spoken to him.

C Also, please try and get Bevel's address from him. I cannot afford to phone him (I have two phone numbers for him) but I will write. Besides, on matters like this I prefer to write so there remains a record. In some cases I hope the embarrassment of a record may persuade people to interest themselves.

O There is a Washington SCLC office. Perhaps Rev. Kirkpatrick can tell you who there would be best to speak to.

P I was disappointed when there was no call. I remained home all day Sunday just not to miss it. I can understand that the purpose of his trip might have made coming here impossible, but it is more difficult to understand it also precluded phoning. These people may not understand it, but each of them may face an intolerable situation if he fails to examine what is without strings offered him. They are all young enough to be seriously compromised if and when the truth becomes accepted (It is now known to a few of us). Some may have trouble living with the future.

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