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Dear Mr. Goldolfo,

Thanks for your certified letter. It got here toward the end of last week but I did not have time to answer.

~~if~~ I have heard nothing about your kind offer for anyone at the CIA. If anyone is still there. They are disbanding.

At least this is what I've heard. I've never been a member.

People in your position have difficulty making value judgements.

It is not safe to make assessments of people and groups from the noise they make, the attention they attract or what they say of themselves. Thus I see no possibility of any value from your giving Flammonde the network coverage you report. He never has done any original work and his book is no more than a rehash of what others said, often disguised.

As a matter of fact, it is the content of what they said and the amount of attention they got that made it impossible for the people to know that there are still a few people continuing to do new work and there is new information that could be made available if publishing interests were not unwilling to publish.

The crazy things some say and do destroy all credibility. Their sincerity does not change the fact that what they do and believe is irrational and false. Or unproven.

I appreciate that you have a strong desire to be helpful to the establishing of truth. You always have. But it is not possible through the people you mention.

In my own work I have long passed the point where the kinds of nonsense these people believe and the kind of materials you have, which do have value, can be helpful in it. However, I can't take time to explain the kind of work I have been doing or what it has produced.

There is but one value I can see for the materials you have collected after so much work, so far as I am concerned. I'll tell you about it.

As of now, and I have not been soliciting, a major state historical society and a college both want my files when I have finished my work for permanent archives, to be available to all in the future, so that coming students can study the assassinations from other than the official files and publications.

The work I have done, which has been without subsidy, has been financially ruinous. So, the files I have are my one real asset. I want them to be a permanent archive, but while I am alive I must also undertake to try to use them as a means of making it possible for me to continue the work I do. This means I will make no such arrangement without it resulting in funding. I have no idea what can be done along this line and I can't do it for the institutions. But I have no doubt that in the end my files will find such a final repository.

If you would like those materials you have collected, of which the tapes would seem to me to have most potential value to students in the future, to be part of this archive, I would welcome it. For their historical value I think they can be quite worthwhile.

However, I do not see any urgent current use for them, not at least in the main thrust of my work. If I had need for the exact words anyone at any time in the past used, I know you would be happy to provide it. That I have not asked it indicates to you that I have not had the need. The repetition of what has been so often said, and so often irresponsibly, does not now help us, so there is little present need for repetition. What is needed is a continuation of investigation, and few indeed have done or are capable of anything that can be called investigation.

Meanwhile, thanks for thinking of me and good luck.

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Dear Mr. Weisberg -

You may not remember me, since the last time we corresponded - by mail and by phone - was several years ago. I'm the fellow with the tape-recorded library (1,700 hours approx) on the JFK, RFK, MLK assassinations. Also, I have compiled virtually everything - chronologically listed - on these from all sources and publications throughout the United States and, due to my just recently concluded 2 year stay in Europe, from there as well. Remember me now? I'm writing you now - hoping you are still at this address - to let you know that I have been very recently in touch - and they with me - with the "Committee To Investigate Assassinations" and have sent them letters, telling them that they can use my tape and printed materials I've accumulated for more than 10 years now, and that they may use and copy any of these materials and that they are allowed to use these for one full year, at the end of which I desire to regain/retain these for use in an intended book I am contemplating writing on this subject. I am sending them a tape recording tomorrow of some of my appearances on New York radio stations. I have presented Paris Flammonde with copies of the CBS and NBC tapings of Nov 22, 23, 24 1963 JFK assassination (3 years ago). I mentioned in my communication with the Committee To Investigate the

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I request they make available to you personally any of my material (tape or printed) that you may desire, Harold, at any time you may desire it. You may call them to verify this but I assure you it is true. I have always respected your massive, all-inclusive research and work in this field, and I regard you, along with some others, as one of America's true patriots! And I mean that. You are one of the unsung heroes of this country, and therefore, it is with great pride that I offer this 10 year project of compiled material to you, as well as to the Committee. Included are some of your debates with Liebler, and others, at various times. Much more than I could possibly list here, of course. I am offering these to the Committee and yourself free of charge in any way. This is more important than any personal consideration, in my opinion. So with the knowledge that my massive materials will be of use to you, I'll close for now, asking you to send me a letter as soon as possible, letting me know you have received this letter from me, since I don't really know whether you are at the same location I am sending this letter to, so please let me know, OK? Thanks, & keep up the good work.

Respectfully,

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