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Dear Ted,

Thanks for your letter but do not feel guilty because they had to rigged so that nothing would have made any real difference.

They did it with the phone setup. No way of breaking through that.

If I had known in advance I could have made the situation look better and then look worse, but that is all.

I've written them, without answer, and I have not received the promised tape, so I'm sure glad you made and sent one.

The odd thing is that despite the number of stations they said were carrying that show, I've heard only from people I know, and very few of them.

No mention of it elsewhere that I know of.

Thanks and take care of yourself,

Ted Gandolfo  
December 8, 1983

Dear Harold,

You know, Harold, the more I think about it, the more I feel somewhat responsible and to blame for not alerting you to what WBAI radio had become, prior to your participation on their recent JFK show. I should have told you about it when we talked and you told me you would be participating on their JFK anniversary show. I should have told you the following:

Prior to 1977, WBAI was a great station for our side. They consistently allowed our voices to be heard re JFK/RFK/MLK, etc. Then, in 1977, the complete staff was fired and the station was under new management, an adverse management to be sure. In fact, WBAI became a combination of CBS, NBC AND ABC all rolled into one. They no longer allowed a voice of dissent from the official lies.

A case in point was Mae Brussel and myself. Bob Fass had a show, or rather he had shows, 4 nights a week for 5 hours per show and at that time Mae Brussell and I were ALWAYS on the air. He would call us up and we would both discuss the cases with him and the huge following listening audience we had amassed. It was, in a word, GREAT. Then came the change and then nothing was allowed on the air by Mae or myself or anyone else, a complete change!

When you told me you would go on the air with them, I was frankly surprised. I was even surprised when I learned they were to do something/anything on JFK at all. But I figured you had the prior understanding you told me about later with them so, I didn't say anything. Maybe now, thinking about it, I should have warned you about them and for that, I'm truly sorry, Harold.

But think of it this way also. You have what you have always had..your INTEGRITY. That counts more than any station can hope to negate. So keep that in mind. You did your best and lived up to your side of the bargain. The odious fact that they did NOT is on them, not you.

Just wanted to get this off my chest to you, Harold.

Best regards and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and yours.

Ted.