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Dear Jim,

I traced Dick Ballings to the duckblind this a.m. and imparted the essence of the information from Art. He knows nothing about it. I believe him.

In the early part of the week we will check into it. I expect to hear from him after that.

I phoned Harv again after midnight. His other phone had another and very worried man on it. It is I who suggested to Harv that he call you. He knew you could make a decision. I also gave him Jim's home number.

Part of Harv's concern is that, now that we've got this guy turned on, the stuff ought to continue to flow. Should this whole thing turn out to be a plant, even that would make it worthwhile draining the fellow.

I'll be in touch after I hear from Dick again.

Meanwhile,

MERRY CHRISTMAS'.