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Dear Tom,

Glad to see your Tockey interview. It is an important contribution that, I regret, has not been widely copied. Dominick had a copy on his desk yesterday (incidentally, he spoke so of several of your records I'd like very much to have them).

Separately I have sent Jim a supply of PHOTOGRAPHIC WHITENASH: SUPPRESSED KENNEDY ASSASSINATION PICTURES. I have also sent copies to Ross, Hoke May and Sam DePine. I've sent a copy to Louisiana News, hoping they will become a distributor. I think this careful documentation of deliberate suppression of the photographic evidence will be very helpful to public understand there.

I have returned to completion of the balance of what was originally conceived as WHITENASH III. Depending on the interruptions, and our arranging to move to better quarters is one, I'll have this done in six weeks. I'll again send copies, for I think it can help Jim quite a bit, especially in showing the character of the investigation and some of what has been suppressed. Meanwhile, I have privately issued challenged to Gvzeng, Moody and AP, CBS and NBC. Please tell Jim that as yet there has been no response from Reid at WDSU. I sent Jim a copy of the letter.

When Hoke said he was looking for an agent I got one for him. I phoned and he did not return the call. I had also arranged for a small publisher to take a book on Jim from him or him and his colleagues. When he did not respond, when I had to do something about the monolithic reluctance of other publishers to do my New Orleans book after Dell broke their contract, I arranged for this one to do it. It will appear as a pocket book, but I am trying to get him to do a simultaneous expensive paperback including all my documents, perhaps 400 pages of them. If they do not, I may print these documents as a book that is a nonbook. Here, in the original or in this appendix book, I'd like very much to include your CIA list, with credit to you. If this is agreeable to you, would you please send me a clean typed copy of it? I suspect a few minor errors in the S-I story.

When I sent the books to Ross and Hoke, I had not fixed a release date. It is now 7/9. I'd appreciate it if you'd tell them. The New York Times is giving it a column Sunday.

Enclosed is a thermofax of a Washington Post story on Perry Russo Jim may not have seen. I've also been promised a copy of the Tulane yearbook page on him that has not been forthcoming. I'm told that in it he was listed as a radical Democrat, not a Goldwater supporter. There is nothing wrong with either, but I tell you this in the belief that there is nothing about him on which Jim should not be prepared.

I find the appearance of WHITENASH II in Dallas is supplying me with witnesses with exciting information. I wish it could get better distribution. I now have a witness who saw the President slap backwards and was close. This is inspired by her having seen this in my book. She was not called as a witness, although she was interviewed by the FBI. Best to you and regards to all,