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Dear Dave:

As I told you on the telephone I intend to go to Vermont on August 6, 1964 and will be back in Philadelphia by 3 P.M. Monday, August 10, 1964.

I would like to stay in the office for the rest of the week and come to Washington on the 14th and 15th with the hope that we can pretty much clean up whatever has to be done in re our responsibility for the report.

There are several things which keep reoccurring in my mind, and I think they are important:

1. I think it is essential that we get the Cuban government to provide us with a copy of the application which Oswald filled out, indicating that he intended to go to Cuba on September 30. This bit of evidence would be conclusive with respect to this crucial part of the report.

2. Why did the message which came back from Mexico indicate that Oswald was visiting only one of the two embassies and not both embassies.

3. Even though the name of Hunt has been mentioned in several statements dealing with Ruby, no one has done the

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directions, knowledge or wishes of any other person or country."

The introductory paragraph should also deal with the question of a possible right-wing conspiracy and also a governmental conspiracy in the sense that Oswald was claimed to be an agent of the FBI or CIA.

4. Page 2 - The first sentence should be rewritten since it now conveys the impression that the Commission first determined that there was no conspiracy and is now trying to support that determination. I would rewrite the first sentence as follows: "In the absence of admission by Oswald or some other person who was part of the conspiracy, the Commission faced the inherent difficulties in determining whether a conspiracy existed. Since the investigation resulted in a negative conclusion - that Oswald was not part of a conspiracy, - the inherent difficulties in proving a negative increased the problem."

Also on page 2, an additional sentence should be added to the second paragraph which would make the point that merely because we mention a rumor and spend several pages dispelling it, should not convey the impression that there was any substantiality to the rumor.

5. Page 3 - In the next to the last line in the first paragraph I would substitute the word "job" for "position."

In the next to the last sentence it is not clear what is meant by his return to the United States. It could mean after he left Russian or after he left Mexico, or both.

6. Page 5 - In the second sentence on the page I would add between "security" and "which" a phrase such as "as to how the information was acquired." Also, I do not think the paragraph covers some of the information which we got from the CIA, but I guess this is the best we can do.

7. Page 7 - "report" should be with a capital "R" in the first line and this is a comment which is applicable throughout the Report.