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Dear Mr. Joy,

Your letter of 11/21 is very interesting. You are, of course, quite correct.

I would like as much detail as possible.

The actual angle of the back wound (Footscrypt, HITEWASH) was, according to the FBI, 45-60 degrees. According to the autopsy doctors, it was about 12 degrees. How did you compute 50-60? What is even more fascinating, is how you computed the lateral angle to be 43-45 degrees. That, of course, would wreck the Report in a new way, ~~XXXXXXXX~~. The President was then, quite obviously, turned to the right and the actual angle of his body to the TEBD was greater, but I hardly think that much.

I'm pressed for time, for in addition to the existing impossible schedule, I've just returned from a three-week speaking trip and am that much behind. I leave again soon. The fifth book is written and I must work on it.

Please, do, give me all the detail you can

Sincerely,

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Mr. Harold Weisburg,
Hyattstown, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Weisburg:

I am wondering about the state of things in the field of inquiry into President Kennedy's assassination. I have heard that you were bringing out a third volume to add to your own massive inquiry and I wonder if that is still the plan or have all publishers, book as well as periodical, gone "establishment."

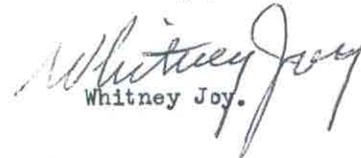
At the time of the assassination I was suffering from a severe ulcer condition which, though it seemed static at the time, soon began to grow progressively worse and resulted in a dangerous operation toward the middle of 1964. When the Warren Report came out I hardly did more than glance at it to check something and found just the absurdity I had expected. But I was by no means "up to snuff" for a considerable time and did not think to look exhaustively into the Report until the CBS whitewash of last June and various aspects of that were so obviously false that they turned my stomach.

I am no gun expert but have been familiar with guns since childhood and could do quite well with a small .22 rifle at the age of 10. After that I became familiar in a general and practical way with a variety of rifles up to and including light field guns. I handled a Springfield for some months at the age of 15 though I did not fire and from the age of 17 had several years experience of a sort but not much firing with the 30-06. I did some expert shooting but had no occasion to fire for any sort of record. In any case, I knew enough about rifles, ammunition and ballistics and telescopic sights that the mess in the Report about such things got my dander up so I started making my own study.

From the first few days after the assassination, I knew that the angle of the neck-throat wound was very slight, $5\frac{1}{2}$ to $6\frac{1}{2}$ degrees or a little more and the President was sitting vertically or substantially so and therefore knew the portions of the report involving ballistics, as the late Robert Ruark said, made no sense. I went through the simple process of working out the horizontal angle of that neck-throat wound and found it to be 43 to 45 degrees from the President's right to the left. Thus Oswald neither did nor could have fired the shots that first wounded and then killed Kennedy for those shots were not and could not have been fired from inside the Book Depository, sixth floor or any other. They had to be and were fired from about ground level and to the west of the building. It works out mathematically and scales out on a scale map of the area. But now that I know that much, what to do?

Maybe if the thing is not dead, you have a suggestion.

Sincerely yours,


Whitney Joy.