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Mr. Paul Carroll
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Dear Paul,

I am grateful for the return of my marked copy of PHOTOGRAPHIC WHITEWASH. It would have taken some time to replace the markings prior to my next trip.

I do not know whether you heard the show I did with Robin, but the phones stayed lit. He seemed more than satisfied. I hope you were, too.

From there I went to LA. Among the things I did was to interview the two men who had gone to court in a successful effort to resist going to New Orleans in conformity with Garrison's subpoena. One was hospitalized, seriously (and somewhat mysteriously) ill. The second, after I had spoken to him for a while, was willing to go there and wanted me to go with him! I couldn't. He agreed to go with the young man who was with me, and he did this past Saturday. On his return he said he found Garrison a "very nice man" after spending four hours with him!

What a switch!

The most eminent John Sperrow, warden of All Saints, Oxford, graced the American airways this morning on the Today Show. He introduced a book so secret it cannot even be bought, a rather unusual manner of introduction for a paperback that does not promise to recoup its promotional expenses. This guy is a professional apologist renowned for his reluctance to face or answer those he slanders, for his generalities. His work first appeared in the London Times Literary Supplement the middle of December as an article! No reference to his coming book. This has attracted international attention and was played as not a promotion. It succeeded scandalously, the play ending with another official effort to establish in the public mind that if there is any deficiency in the investigation of Kennedy's murder it is his brother's fault! I have never seen such a non-promotion for a book, all that magnificent attention wasted. But, I also have never seen such exorbitant TV exposure so deliberately wasted. What I am suggesting is that the real purpose of the book is not to sell books but to use the book as a mean of getting wide radio and TV exposure. I am reasonably confident that the inaccuracies in his writing about me are libellous. As soon as I can get a copy to see how it compares with the article, I'll see a lawyer. He attributes an undiluted manufacture to me, the belief that the trusted friend of the late President, Kenny O'Donnell, was part of a conspiracy to murder him. But don't let that surprise you, for he also quotes directly the exact words of a none-existent witness.

If you see him, may I ask for 1) a tape of it and 2) an opportunity to respond?

Thanks for your kindnesses. Regards to Joe and Robin.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg