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Mr. John Kelin  
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Dear Mr. Kelin,

It was very thoughtful and I thank you for it.

Life has been a real history lesson for me!

In looking back on some of those anti-American experiences of my youth, aside from wondering how I survived the, it tells me again that we all have the obligation to do what we can to support the fine system we were blessed with by those best of all political thinkers, our Founding Fathers, and do what we can to preserve it, save it from all those who would change it to suit their ideas or interests.

When you are finished I'll appreciate a copy to add to the archive of all my records at local Hood Vollege, a fine small one where most of those records are already because of the thievery that has not ended and took more than I can ever know.

Again, thanks and best wishes,

*Harold*

Harold

I asked the college to take them as soon as it could and it did but it will be a little time before all the necessities are taken care of and they can be made accessible, so please do not say much about it now so they will not be having to tell people to wait or even take the time to respond now. I am sure that when it is all taken care of there will be an announcement.

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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Over the last few months I have interviewed you on the telephone several times, for a project I am developing on the "first generation" Kennedy assassination critics.

Yesterday, during our most recent conversation, you mentioned to me with some regret that someone had stolen some material from your home relating to your suit against the State Department after your dismissal under the McCarran Rider.

In a videotaped interview you gave to David Starks in 1997, which I have a copy of, you discussed this subject at some length. You read from a letter you received from Arnold, Fortas and Porter.

Anyway, after it was all over, I must have given the lawyers some kind of token of appreciation, because—you know, I'd just lost my job, none of us rich, we all having trouble—just a gesture. So on the date of November 28, 1947, I got this letter from Arnold, Fortas, and Porter: "We want you to know how deeply we appreciate your kind and generous gesture in sending us a gift, and the warm sentiments which accompanied it. You know it was a pleasure to be of service to you, and your calmness and dignity under the most adverse circumstances were in no small measure responsible for your ultimate vindication." And all three partners signed it. Plus, a lawyer on the staff who worked on it.

I thought you might like to have the above quote. Of course, it's a far cry from getting back the documents themselves, but perhaps it will have some meaning for you.

I expect to have additional questions for you in the near future and look forward to talking to you again. You're a real history lesson.

Regards,

John

