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Dear Mr. Verb,

A friend of mine in Minneapolis named Bob Zimmerman just got a letter from a friend of his named Gunnard Modin which mentioned having met with your group. The letter mentioned some questions you had about David Kroman which I may be able to answer, but first I should identify myself. I did my undergraduate work at Cornell University and graduated the same year as Ed Epstein. I have been working on the case for quite some time and have discussed it with Mark Lane, Vince Salandria, and Josiah Thompson. I regularly exchange information with Salandria and Thompson, and in fact, have just returned from a visit to Phila. (where my home is) where I saw both of them. The only literature I have# to my credit is a lengthy article in Ivory Tower Magazine, a local publication, and a week#-long, 5-article series which was published in the Minneapolis Star-Tribune, plus several letters to the editor. Thus far I have only made a few radio appearances. I have also exchanged some info with CBS.

In regard to David Kroman, I haven't yet been able to contact him to arrange a meeting. His phone is undoubtedly tapped for a number of reasons and he does not trust very many people, although I'm hoping that he will trust me since I'm fairly well known out here. As I understand it, you know the story up until the time when the judge sent him to the Federal hospital. I don't know whether the choice of a federal hospital so far away was unusual or not. At first glance it seemed to be, but he is being tried in a federal court so it may be O.K. The length of time he was kept there, however, is quite unusual, since a week at most would have been necessary for the most extensive examination they could give him. I am quite sure of this since psychological evaluation is precisely what I am studying out here. Furthermore, they should have done it as fast as possible since it was holding up the trial. Well, at any rate, he came back with a clean bill of health. He is out on bond on the condition that he does not talk about either the assassination or the American Allied case with anyone-- especially the press. Thus, even what the public knows about the entire incident is enough to make one suspicious.

I recently found out that a therapist of a good friend of mine once gave Kroman a psychological evaluation. I am now friends with that therapist and have thus managed to find out some more about the case. Kroman has spent a# great deal of time in the past several years traveling back and forth between Minneapolis, Miami, Dallas, and New Orleans! They first had to check him over after he was picked up in a small boat headed for Cuba. He claimed that he was trying to check out a lead about the assassination. They expect@d# to be getting some sort of nut to evaluate and were quite surprised. They found him to be quite sane and stable although somewhat paranoid. It's beginning to look to me as though his paranoia is well founded.

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I'm afraid I don't know how long it will be before I can contact Kroman or if I'll ever succeed in getting any info from him. Best of luck in your work out there. I understand you people keep quite active.

Sincerely yours,

Gay

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331-9348 (P.S. The phone is tapped, but that may be remedied soon since we're going to surprise the phone Co. with the threat of a court suit before the week is out.)