Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Enclosed is a copy of the column by Herman Deutsch which I mentioned to you in my previous letter. As you will see, it is not intended to be a helpful sort of column.

Whoever is now distributing your book in Madison is doing much better these days, as I now see Oswald in New Orleans displayed in book store windows and on drugstore bookstands. Whether this is true outside of Madison, I don't know.

From the April 24th edition of the New Orleans States-Item I see that at least one Negro writer, Louis Lomax, is interested in pursuing the question of Dr. King's assassination somewhat more energetically and competently than the FBI is now doing. His trail leads to New Orleans, and Garrison is now reported as very much interested in the matter. So perhaps there is some hope that the public will not again be gulled.

In this connection, it seems to me that there would likely be a great deal of public support -- and perhaps even some from Presidential candidates -- if Negroes were to demand: 1) that J. Edgar Hoover be removed from the investigation of King's murder (if not from the FBI itself), and 2) that a committee of civil rights leaders be set up which would have access to all documents, reports, and records of the FBI and the Memphis police relating to the assassination. Whether or not the government would accede to these demands, it would surely be much embarrassed to have to turn them down.

Thank you very much for replying to my letter of April 12.

Sincerely yours,