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Dear Marija,

I did not write you sooner about the enclosed because I do not want to undermine your confidence in yourself.

You may recall that before you appeared on the Winfrey show to promote a gross fraud of a book which you seem not to have ~~realized~~<sup>realized</sup> is based on the assumption of Lee's guilt. I wrote and urged you to check all those things out in advance.

Those who have something to gain by exploiting you are not about to confess their lies or their fabrications.

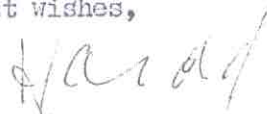
This story from the Dallas Morning News has been on my desk for some time. Since we last spoke I've been hospitalized twice for congestive heart failure. I was not expected to survive the second one and how much more of it + can is a real question.

So, I send you the truth from the paper about ~~what~~ those wretched people who would commercialize anything made up. Lee was not a snitch who ~~lead~~<sup>led</sup> to this arrest. Nor was he a snitch on the raid on the other side of Lake Pontchartrain. There was none there, either. ~~Those~~<sup>Those</sup> crazy Cubans scared the neighbor and he got in touch with the sheriff who got the FBI. I interviewed him and the sheriff more than 20 years ago.

There is a basic truth I would impress on you. It is not possible to do any honest or responsible theorizing about the JFK assassination without close and detailed knowledge of the fact that was established officially. And very few ~~and~~ people have done that.

As you know, I've never asked anything of you for myself and do not now. I'm 84 and can't expect to be here long. But I do hope that you can keep others from exploiting <sup>you</sup>, especially those, meaning just about all of them, who begin with the assumption of Lee's guilt.

Best wishes,

  
Harold Weisberg