Dear Harold,

Ted Gandalfo 1214 First Avenue New York, N.Y. 10021

Feb. 18, 1978

Please copy the enclosed articles and press releases etc, and send the originals back to me since I have no copies of them. I'm sending the <u>otiginals</u> to you in this package. I do not desire any extra copies for myself, just my originals back. Thanks. The 2 copies of the House Committee On Assassinations "Report" are for you to keep. I have 3 more here. That's for you to keep and you need not copy THOSE. only emery other document and article needs to be sent back to me for my files. I thought you would want to read some of these things as I discussed with you just now on the phone. Should you come acress any really significant FBI downments, I'd appreciate copies of some of those when you have time. Thanks again. ISm beginning the process of making some tapes of what you requested now and they will be forthcoming. I'm so incredibly busy doing radio, and my own TV shows now that I don't have time to eat sometimes and Anita gets mad at me, saying, "Ted, you have to take time out to eat". HA-HAJ!

P.S. I gave you good mention on the 5 hour WWRL radio show I did with Coretta Ming the other night. After all, you are the "World's Worst Researcher" (in the words of Iane, who should know about had research himself, shouldn't he?). The upcoming Jack Anderson/James earl Ray collaboration by Iane is, in a word, unforgiveable!! And he's Ray's ATTORNEY !! Can you beat that???????

Best regards to yourwife Fours in struggle,

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MARK LANE

February 1, 1978

Ted Gandolfo 1214 First Avenue New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Ted:

Thank you very much for all the material, documents and tapes that you have been sending regularly. In exchange I enclose two copies, the first two copies, of the Special Report of the Free Press.

I'm looking forward to an article by you on the Sounds of April 4, 1968 with a short note to explain to our readers who you are in terms of tapes and assassinations.

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Mark Lane

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

News Release Monday, February 6, 1978

CIA AND FBI CAPTURE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE INVESTIGATING JFK AND KING ASSASSINATIONS

New Evidence Suppressed--Lawyers and Investigators Fired

"The CIA and the FBI have effectively captured and destroyed the House Select Committee on Assassinations," Mark Lane, senior executive editor of the <u>Special Report</u>, published bimonthly by the L.A. <u>Free Press</u>, said today.

At the press conference, primarily top secret material from the Select Committee investigating the assassinations of President Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was released for the first time. Wesley Swearingin, a former twenty-five year veteran Special Agent of the FBI who had been stationed in Los Angeles, was present and will be assisting in this independent investigation.

Lane charged that the intelligence organizations had forced out or fired the original staff hired by the Congress to investigate both murders. He said that the former General Counsel of the Committee, the attorney

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in charge of investigating the Kennedy assassination, the attorney in charge of investigating the King assassination, the chief researchers for both cases and others had been fired. He added,

"Before surrendering to the police and spy organizations, the Committee, through its independent staff, had uncovered extremely important and decisive evidence in each case. It had conducted sophisticated tests including ballistics tests, neutron activation analysis scans and revealing photo analysis. These tests, conducted by independent experts, destroyed the official versions of the two assassinations.

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"For example, the results of the scientific examination of the bullet taken from Dr. King's body, if released, could provide the basis for a new trial for James Earl Ray.

"In addition, investigators for the Committee had uncovered documents and interviewed witnesses which provide evidence of FBI and CIA participation in the coverup of the evidence and in some instances, evidence of participation in the planning of the murders."

Lane said that he had interviewed the "key personnel, lawyers and researchers of the Select Committee staff."

He said that they "had been threatened with substantial jail terms if they told the truth about what they had learned."

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Lane said that each independent lawyer who. has been fired is being replaced by a Department of Justice lawyer. He said that every new employee is investigated by the CIA and FBI.

Lane's 2,500-word article containing direct quotations from persons who had worked for the Select Committee and revealing the substance of material suppressed by the Select Committee will appear in the Los Angeles <u>Free Press</u> on Thursday, February 9, 1978.

According to the <u>New York Times</u> and the <u>Washington</u> <u>Post</u>, Lane was, to a large extent, responsible for the formation of the Committee. The <u>Times</u> said, "Mr. Lane was the primary force behind the formation of the Committee and the architect of the direction that the investigation should take." The <u>Post</u> added that Lane "has also become something of an oracular figure for the Congressional panel investigating the two murders."

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