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Dear Art,

Re FBI FOIA letter in Bresson's name on your request for a copy of the Lane memo:

These people are still deadicated to so warming the dead Hoover that the warmth thaws the frozen ground above him.

If Bresson & Co. had intended being helpful they could and would have referred your letter to the two most likely field offices, which they are supposed to do under their own regulations.

Call your friendly local FBI and ask for the Office of Origin in the Jonestown case. I mat or may not be Frisco. This is not secret-type or classifiable information. They can tell from consultation with their own files on Jonestown. There is a file code and each record indicates the Office of Origin (OO), to which copies of all records are supposed to be sent.

I'd write a joint letter to the USAttorney and the FBI in Frisco because there are prosecutions there and Lane's reputation for integrity may be of some interest. I have my own reasons for telling you they are keeping the kind of tabs I also believe is justified in this kind of case. It is now not a free-speech question at all. I believe that if he had not been screaming persecution and official conspiracies for all these years they'd be after him more overtly. (I am satisfied that he had a large measure of personal responsibility for the great tragedy.) However, I know of nothing more than the faling of news stories and that is between us only.

I'd say exactly why I want that record and any other relevant records, because it is false and was in your opinion a means by which Lane wormed himself into the trust of the crazy millionaire ones. You don't have to have a reason but I'd give it. I'd also use both FOIA and Privacy Acts because they can't charge you search fees under Pa. If you want records on yourself include that and send a copy to the LA FBI and N.O.

How's with the license?

Best,



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

March 7, 1979

Mr. Art Kevin  
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Dear Mr. Kevin:

With respect to your letters dated January 15, 1979, and February 6, 1979, this is to advise that a most extensive search failed to reveal the existence of any such memo.

The search for information in response to your request was limited to those records in our central records system which are maintained at FBI Headquarters, Washington, D. C., and does not include a search of any of our Field Office records. If you wish to pursue this matter with any of our Field Offices, you should correspond directly with them.

Sincerely yours,

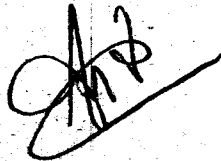
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Records Management Division



Hal...

Followup on Lane memo story...I guess I'll start now with the San Francisco  
field office...methinks I have embarked on a long, long journey...

best

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'AJZ' with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.