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Dear Lasse, *Larsen*

Glad you like Case Open. If you know any who would like it I am sure that The Last Hurrah bookshop has and mails copies. It has been on sale for about two months and I've heard not a peep from Posner, Random House or any lawyer. And do not expect to. Almost daily I get letters of thanks and approval and an embarrassing number of them refer to me as the writer's hero.

I receive nothing from the AARC and wonder why. I've not seen that 1967 inspector general's report. And so much more. But from a friend in California I have received and used some quite valuable material. I've added it to NEVER AGAIN! I've just learned that it is to be delayed further. The reasons I've been given are false. So, of course, I do wonder but at 81 and as feeble as I am, I can do nothing about it.

In referring to the fourth estate I had the media in mind. The press here has long been called the fourth estate.

I, too, am sorry about the distance between us and between so many others who have become friends, particularly because any travel is of some hazard to me.

The lamp is beautiful. I was able to get the shade repaired. Our problem with it is that we have not figured out how to make it rigid. I do not now recall whether I tried to learn if it attaches to the socket. We'll try that when we can. But if the shade was designed for that lamp, do not send another, thanks. We'll try to figure out how it works. We'd thought that as is true here, such shades are ^{often} held in place by the bulb.

There is not much new here. I understand that a rather large volume of records has been made accessible as a result of the law that requires it but I've seen virtually none of them and the whole thing has been slowed down enormously.

I have been told by a professional in intelligence whose word I trust that many interesting pages about Oswald were disclosed by the CIA. He is working in them and has a contract for a book for when he writes it. His book JFK and Viet Nam is fine!

I fear that most others working in the field have been bitten by the Sherlock Holmes bug and regard themselves as Perry Masons and work as though they are. That I fear assures futility and disinformation.

For which our publishers provide a ready market.

I hope your summer has not been as hot and as humid as what we have been having. The area has set a record for ~~24~~ consecutive days with the temperature above 90 and several days it was over 100 F. But, fortunately, most nights have been cool enough, and most early mornings, too.

Our best wishes,

Harold

Dear Harold

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Thank you for sending me your latest book "Case Open" (I like the title), and also your kind inscription on the front-page. I have just finished reading it, and must say that you have done an excellent job in setting the record straight. If there is still some justice left I hope this book will reach a large audience, which it deserves, and make the American people wonder whether they can believe what they watch on television, read in the newspapers or what some dishonest government agencies, or for that matter a fraudulent writer like Posner try to make them believe. After reading "Case Open" I went through "Case Closed" for the second time, and even that I was upset the first time I read it, with all its wrong interpretations on the assassinations of President Kennedy, my reading the second time after "Case Open" after all your rejections of his false and misleading "evidence" and slander of you, some of your friends and many other honest writers, gave your book my confidence in honesty and truth some new hope.

On page 9 in your book you write: "What does all this say of the state of the "fourth estate"?" In that connection this words was confirmed to me in another case. I have just received "the General Inspector's Report" from 1967 through AARC, and I am sure you are familiar with this Report. It shows very clearly your statement that CIA is the fourth estate, and nothing is sacred for this agency when it comes to deception, lies, misleading and if necessary, assassination.

The more I read and translate your books, the more I think it's a shame that you and I live so far apart. I have so many questions to ask you, and I am certain that you got many documents in your basement worth studying, but unfortunately there is a long way from Copenhagen to Frederick. But if you don't mind, and I ever got the opportunity to visit your country, I would very much like to pay you a visit.

I was very pleased that you and your wife liked my lamp, and thank you for your letter in that connection. But I am sorry that the holder for the shade arrived broken. Please inform if you want me to send a replacement.

Best wishes

Lasse



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