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Dear Andy,

Thanks very much for your card.

If you are not pulling my leg I love it that among the reasons Mailer did not show up at COPA, your words that "Norman Mailer gave for not showing up was that he thought you might show up to collect your [my] plaque that set off another round of applause."

If I can have that in some form I can use, either what he wrote or was heard to say and by whom, I'd love that so much!

Several times I thought I'd completed a large manuscript with the working title that could easily be improved, ~~Norman~~ Mailer's Tapes, of the JFK Assassination. It was finished but then I got more information, including just today, ~~including~~ that I insert. It is 39 chapters and a foreword. and you know my chapters are not short. As you also know from my earlier work that Mailer and his book are the skeleton, with much stinking dead flesh hanging onto the bones, that I use for a much broader record for history.

I've also heard that RH has been selling a set of audio tapes he and his wife did on that trash and that the end he says he did that book for money. I would, of course, like very much to use that, too.

I hope you've been hearing from some of the many people I've referred to you for NEVER AGAIN! and Case Open, here and abroad. That is why I asked you if you have a card I can insert, that eliminating mistakes from my typing and giving them what they can keep conveniently. Last week it was a teach in Japan.

There were at least a halfdozen people here before and after COPA and none of them told me that Macho Mailer is afraid of an old man who cannot now even use stairs!

Back in 1973 I offered him access to all I have.

The plaque and the thought behind it are nice but I have no appropriate wall space so I'll give it to the first time the head of the history department is here.

They are specializing in justice this year so I'm giving them the bound in buckram hearings of the Senate Civil Liberties Committee of the 1930s. I was its editor after being one of its investigators and preparing its first hearing. What a record that is of us and of our history and of the Great Depression and corporate and financial policy and practise then. Including of Bloody Marlan. So much all of this is before your time. But can you tell me where I can get an appraisal of the Mint condition.

Many thanks, Andy, and best to Linda,

*Heard*