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Dear Jim,

Dave tells me you are holding the press conference on Tuesday. Fine! And Thanks! If you have some costs, let me know so we can send you a check for them.

As I understood Dave, Gary and Robertson will be giving you short statements. Good, if they, and I think may apply to Gary only, do not say other than the book says. He seems to remain hung up on the Groden/Livingstone/Lifton + nonsense that the back of the head was blown out. It was not and it was not possible to fake all the photographic proof that it was not. For all those statements he had mobilized I think he should turn to Shakespeare on all the many oaths that are sworn. As all of them who get hung up in one small aspect of the overall ought look at the Godfrey Saxe poem on those six blind wise men of Hindustan when they touched an elephant for the first time.

Dave also said that among the cases that have you overloaded is a libel case for Hickey. I referred his daughter to you long ago but I'd not heard from either of you that you are proceeding. The other SS agent of that detail, retired and often in touch, had not phoned for some time.

I do not recall what if anything I sent Hickey's daughter but I have much that I think can help you. Off the top of the head, the original of that poppycock that was a Baltimore Sun magazine article. I wrote the man who wrote it at some length showing him how it was impossible. I have the article and that. ^{letter} It was after that that I began hearing from Donahue. Then some years ago he and his wife were here. I then in some detail told him where he would find the proof that it was impossible, including the Zapruder film, which alone does that. I believe the Bronson movie also does and some stills, too. Plus the nature of the injuries.

I also have what refutes the St. Martin explanation for going ahead. One of them had an investigator working on the Hickey case. He ran off at the mouth in Israel and by chance I was sent that story, in English. They knew long before the book that Hickey had deep psychological problems and did not answer the door or the phone.

As you know, what ^{Donahue} Hickey says about me is a lie. You know I always had a place for my records and had no interest in either Maryland or my own alma mater for them. I've forgotten what else he said but as I recall I've not heard from him since I told him to his face that is impossible. Had a nice thank-you letter from his wife, after their visit.

^{Donahue} Hickey does not have the public-person excuse for a libel, having a source, because he made it up himself, as the Sun article of years ago proves.

You are, of course, welcome to all of this.

Thanks and best,

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