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Dear Harold,

If you are listening to the assassination reinvestigation of the Stokes committee, then you maybe interested in some of the evidence that has been presented. No one really expects anything out of the final committee report, or at least I don't expect a great deal. But, I am confident the evidence points away from the Warren commission report, even though the committee labors on about it, and seems prejudicially in favor of its conclusions, for what reason I do not know (or care). But, the negative evidence is so startling, in and of itself, that it virtually buries for the common man, at any rate, any viability, whatsoever, in the official government investigation of the President's death. The cover-up is now so blatant, as to be positively mind-boggling.

I believe the witnesses can be divided into four groups, two of which maybe described as incredible witnesses, the remaining two as potentially credible. Of these latter two, those who affirm the correct theory are deemed to be the credible ones. Those who may have affirmed the incorrect theory are deemed to be in error, but not liars. Of the first two groups, I should point out that there are two kinds of liars. Those who want us to believe the Warren Commission report and those who want us to believe that the right (or the left) was somehow responsible for the murder of John Kennedy, but who quite frankly don't care about evidence, truth, justice, etc. It maybe in the interest of the Cuban government to lay the blame on the C.I.A. and the right-wing anti-Castro movement in Miami, Florida. It maybe in the interest of right-wing conservatives, here in the U.S.A., to lay the blame on pro-Castro supporters.

It is finally clear, that two theories now emerge as viable. Your own theory, i.e., the grassy knoll thesis, which I call the "Weisberg theory," and Sen. Schweiker's theory, or the Cuban retaliation theory. I think the Weisberg theory now implicates a different cast of characters than it originally seemed to implicate. Once again, I point out the difference between covering up evidence for purely political reasons, and doing so out of criminal complicity (before or after the fact).

There is no reason to deny the distinct possibility that the third shot came from the grassy knoll and killed President Kennedy. It is clear, even now, that the Warren commission was pressed for time by L. B. Johnson, who wanted early releases for the American people, thereby obstructing the slow but sure path of justice. It does not seem credible that Gov. Connally was hit by the first bullet, but by a second one. So, the ones that did not hit him need not have been of the same kind. But, the devastating point, it seems, is that only 1/2 a second intervened between shot #2 and shot #3!

I believe it is your duty to appear before the committee, and I am confident they are now ready to hear you speak! I ask you to contact them, Harold. Sincerely yours, Paul K. Mackal,
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P.S., Am now working on my Ph.d. in educational psychology.