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Dear Mr. Cutler,

Thanks for your note and the copy of the letter to LIFE. Actually, the story of the "logical" bullet with the built-in intelligence is much worse than you indicate, much more improbable, really impossible.

Because of your interest in it, I tell you about a monograph just published by Randell Publications, P.O. Box 32362, Los Angeles, Calif. (\$5.05, including postage). It is by Ray Marcus and drawn together much of the available information about this bullet and its strange career. No one else has done as much with it. I read it in rough draft and cannot praise it too highly.

I believe others in your area, through correspondence, might also be interested in this work, if you can inform any bookstores of its availability. I hope it achieves a publishing success for the time has now come for specialization in aspects of the evidence (see the current Soc. Eve. Post, which says pretty much the same thing in an editorial). Its success might encourage others.

It is possible to exaggerate the connection between the back wound and the back bone, unless you misunderstand me. That wound did not make it either impossible or too difficult to head. I hear one can have a hole for almost 50 years. The President must have been moving a bad day. He was also raising an eye eyebrow.

Sincerely,

Dear Ray, Steve Barber was glad to get The Eastard and commented favorably on it yesterday when we spoke briefly. He'll have read it and I'll be seeing him in a week or so, after he returns from a short trip abroad. I've spoken to none of the others, having been busy trying to catch up on the accumulated correspondence and the third book, in which I'd opened to any recommendations promptly. Several things that may interest you people out there: Mark Reagin tells me that Belin confirms to him the existence of a 238-page study of the possibility Oswald was not the assassin, prepared by Belin and Ball. The archive cannot find it. Sylvia was on WGA with Larry Schiller Tuesday night and went back with him for another hour Wednesday. It seems her judgement was correct, that Schiller was a fink. I'm disappointed (as I believe we all are) and surprised (as I believe Bill also is), for I apparently misjudged him. Sylvia quotes Maggie as saying this has made a scandal out there. While I believe to fight this sort of thing rather than the main issues attracts attention to it and makes it more harmful than it otherwise could be, I'd like to know all I can for certain occasions, like later today. I'll fly to Chicago shortly to debate Almer Gertz and Jenner on EBEM-TV, and it would be good to know more. Bill knows (possibly I told you and Maggie) what they did to me. And the Metromedia confrontation is tentatively on again. They've rung Lane in on my side, which I regard as a liability, and Wizer has arisen as the defender of the staff. He may be joined by others and thinks his appearance will reinforce the Liebel and Specter spines. It is tentatively set for 1/30-1. I've sold the reprint rights to chapter 11 of I, The False Oswald, to Sage, for too little but enough to recoup my costs on the trip out to see you people. I also think the time for this aspect is now here. Castor has sent me word through a mutual friend that he'd like to see me. I've replied any time and under any condition he wants, including in the studio of the mutual friend who has a recording business. He is a Walker friend, etc., and may have acknowledged his participation in gun-running. He is perturbed, I'm told. It can happen as early as Tuesday. Two more magazines are working in the archive. The Ruby stuff was declassified Friday when I took Mike Berlin of the NYPost there. Penn and I were on Jerry Williams with Dick Gregory, all three by phone, Monday night. It was good. Gregory is wild. Tell Sahl to meet it when he says he'll be here. I'll show him things. Regard to all, H.