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Dear Paul,

Recently there have been broadcasts in Dallas and Houston by those representing themselves as Security Associates International.

Both give close to identical accounts of a fiction that in turn is close to the content of the fraudulent McDonald book.

Both make the same claim McDonald does, that ~~McDonald~~^{they} solved the crime and has a confession from the assassin.

McDonald claims to have found the assassin for unnamed principals. These people say their outfit did that.

Both said that Security Associates would issue a report in about four months.

At the time of the broadcasts that was about the expectable time of the appearance of this crap.

The book has nothing except a fake confession very poorly done. The whole operation is a shabby one, without any merit except for the spurious claims, the formula.

I phoned when you were not home and spoke to your wife only because of the possibility of hurt to the projected publisher. Since then I have learned that there is also the danger of hurt to innocent people dead and alive.

Of course it would further undermine the credibility of any criticism of the official solution to the crime. There is much of this kicking around now, all with self-destructs built in. So much it is hard to attribute all of it to nuts or commercialism.

The information I have from Houston is that the Houston and Dallas offices of Securities Associates were opened recently and that the outfit is based in Puerto Rico. The address in Houston is 400 N. Durham St., no listed phone. The names there are Pepper Crowder and David Salmon.

If a tape of the Dallas broadcast exists I'd like to hear it. I don't know the station. My first word of the broadcasts came from the west coast, which indicates a little attention to them. My Houston informant is a stranger to me.

There is enough steam behind this for me to have continuing interest. Somebody is spending a lot of time and money on something clearly worthless at best and legally dangerous as a certainty.

So, my interest in it continues if you can learn any more about the Texas end of what seems like a single project extending from New York to Los Angeles.

There used to be a legitimate service in Washington named Security Associates.

McDonald knew the man who ran it.

Best regards,