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Dear Sylvia,

Thanks for your note.

The Dallas communications index, 1514 xerox pages, is twice that in cards that run to 2 1/2 feet. In addition 40 linear feet of name and subject index are being processed. I have let only Howard, Paul and Roger know besides you because first I want to be able to fight without intrusion to get maximum possible disclosure and second because I am not now able to consult it for others except in instances of real need. So I do not want the nuts and irresponsibles to be hounding me.

I have offered Paul a copy if he wants it, which will mean my carrying it to Washington for xeroxing for him if he does. I've sent him the sample I'M sending Shea at DJ appeals.

To the degree I can I am providing Paul with other copies, where the records appear to have significance, applying restrictions where there appears to be need for it. My appeals now take up more than a file drawer.

Meanwhile, the bitter-endasing Judge Pratt, an FBI stooge who even boasted of this to it, was able to arrange for the case to be before an even worse judge. This adds to the importance of the administrative appeals process and to the diminishing of any possible nutty intrusions of any kind, direct or indirect, even in the papers.

For all the defects in processing these are very valuable records. My hope is to be able to make them more valuable and to break more of them loose.

It takes an enormous amount of time!

Best wishes,

CC; PH