March 2, 1985

Dear Harold,

RE Galt alias, I have a query about something I just discovered that really intrigues me.

The real Eric S. Galt's father emigrated to Canada from South Africa. I note on page 119, HSCA MLK Vol 13, that the FBI photographed prints from a letter written by Ray under the Galt alias: "letter from Galt to Southern African Council (Q 334).

Do you know anything about this letter? Do you have a copy of it? Do you know what the Southern African Council is or why Ray would write to it under the Galt name?

Thanks.

Best regards,

Bear Phil,

In your 3/2 you ask about Ray's South Africa letter and whether I have it.

I probably do but lack means of retrieving it without knowing its FBI identification.

At the time this matter was well known and widely reported. Ray wrote and asked about emigrating and I am without doubt that he had something like that in mind, as late as when he was caught at "eathrow.

His explanation is credible: he was trying to get to a country with no extradition treaty. If he'd had a few bucks more when he was in Portugal he'd have made it, too.

Remarkable coincidence that "alt's father came from there, and if it was not for business reasons then it is probably in his favor that he left a phace of such terrible abuses of human beings.

Best,