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Dear Harold and Lil:

Well, Weisberg, I finally have a few minutes to write you! I am sure you think I am ignoring you, but that is far from the case. I just have had so many ~~XXXXXXXX~~ irritating things to do that it has literally been driving me crazy. I even lost a 1099, but was able to come up with a number that will hopefully keep me out of prison with the IRS.

Betsy has had a bad cold and a kidney infection that has worn her out. I have had a cold, and I think sort of a chronic fatigue thing. Maybe a leftover from the winter flu season. We had an upper respiratory infection going around that killed several people, and I have been literally tired out since December. Feel better now, though.

I'll send a Tape.
Prime Time Live had a thing Thursday night that was a relatively well balanced thing on James Earl Ray. Covered the Jowers thing, he claims since he went public his wife left him and he has gone broke, losing all of his money. How can that be? I do wonder if the FBI even interviewed him. Also, some black fellow who claims he was picking up a load of fruit from Liberto on the day King was shot, and heard Liberto bragging about having King killed. Same old story. The Mob did it. Then, they looked at Bill Pepper's contentions, Army hit squad or the mob. I believe Pepper claims he even met Raoul. Give me a break!

The Memphis DA seems to understand that King may have been killed as a result of a conspiracy, but thinks Pepper's claims are ludicrous. As do I.

All the wqter has gone down, but the ground is still very wet. Sorry I failed to write you to tell you we were OK. Dad had some friends from Key West who called him! If you did get wet, you had real trouble. They even had to rescue people by boat about a mile from here, though we are several miles from the river. This building had 4 1/2 foot of water, even though we have a million gallon retention basin right next door. My office is okay.

It was exactly like a tropical storm. Which it sort of was. We get most of our moisture from the Gulf of Mexico.

I hope you and Lil are doing fine. I think about you two every day. Although political assassination is a very serious matter, I don't think I have ever had as much fun as knowing you two, Wrone, Mc Knight, Ginocchio, Dennis M. and the rest. What a group of nice guys. I really feel privileged to know all of you, and am awfully glad you all have seen fit to take me under your wing.

The TWA flight 800 disaster continues to fascinate me. The FBI appears to be playing it straight. Unsolved Mysteries did a show on it Friday night. Did show radar blips. However, did not show the picture Pierre Salinger shows that purports to show a possible missile. I did see a copy in the Star. And let me tell you, it does look like a missile. NOT as good as the Altgen's picture, however.

Unsolved Mysteries did make the point that it is unlikely the Navy could fire a million dollar cruise missile, with a ship full of witnesses and nobody say anything. However, I have a theory of my own.

As we know, we have some cowboys flying military planes. Proof is the problem off the East Coast a few weeks ago, when military jets played with civilian jets, causing panic.

I know for a fact that the military has had a controversy with flying live missiles on the wings, not properly secured, and they fall off. It is possible that some pilot was fooling around with his targeting mechanism, did not secure the failsafe mechanism, and fired a missile at Flt. 800. Or, shot it down on purpose. A psycho pilot. Comes back to base, and tells the ground crew that one fell off. If they replace, he won't report. Gets replaced, nobody gets a writeup, no one is the wiser.

They have concentrated on cruise missiles or shoulder fired ones. But, in my opinion, if a missile did fire on the plane, it may have been air to air. This would explain why witnesses saw missile, but not from a ship. I have never heard any discussion of this. But, in my opinion, it is the most likely missile scenario, if in fact it was a missile.

It is little known, but several years ago, an Italian jetliner was crashed, and a missile of some type, especially air to air, was suspected. Over the Mediterranean.

Well, I go home to cut the grass. My old mower broke in half yesterday. Best excuse I ever had. Got to watch the end of the stock car race and the grass got to grow in peace.

Too bad about Jack Kent Cooke. Seemed like a pretty decent rich guy. His old coach, Joe Gibbs, owns several race car teams. Please excuse the tears, I am still crying over the Wildcats losing to Arizona. You pay a coach \$3million a year, by God, you expect to win!

Hope Lil has not lost her mind during tax season. And I hope you are able to get out and see the comet. It is great. Can't find that UFO that is supposed to be behind it, however!

Bill - Next time, how I pulled
4-21-97 my back & was crippled
for a week!