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Dear Peter,

If Lanusse is a good friend, perhaps you can get a favor from him for me?

Some of the Bay of Pigs veterans availed themselves of the government offer of training and commissions in the armed forces. After their training they had a nice graduation, classbook just like college, etc.

A copy of that classbook, which has pictures, fairly correct name spelling, etc., could be very helpful in my work.

A few of these people are of more than passing interest. Some are well equipped with names, so the face is better, more permanent. But copies of this classbook are not easy to come by. It is not that the fellows are so modest. It is just that they have pasts, presents (like some in special forces in Vietnam, especially one in whom Jim and I have an interest), and hope for futures. My own interests are limited, mostly to identifications. I hope you can try for this and can get it. We can use it.

When you speak to Harrison Salisbury, please pass on my suggestion that a study of what the federal court is doing in New Orleans could be good journalism and a fine public service. The present defense move could mean the end of the rules of evidence in some cases and for some defendants. In the Chandler case they took jurisdiction while saying they had none--and now a man who alleges the prosecutor does not like him need not testify;...also, I now have the very hottest collection of official documents yet, some particularly appropriate with the RFK murder.

Thanks for anything you can do.

Best regards,

Herold Weisberg