April 19, 1963

Dear Mr. Fremont-Smith,

I hope you intended what I read into your brief letter of
April 14, acknowledgement of the legitimacy of my complaint. It is
precisely because you do not know anything, really, about the assassina-
tion yourself and because you had no reason to assume Manchester was
or is infallible that you should not have written as you did. You may or
may not be willing to believe it, but his story of the assassination,
as in the near future I will show is, is inconceivably inaccurate.

My purpose in writing you as I do is not to offend or insult
you. I certainly know it does not improve my chances for having my
subsequent writing reviewed or well reviewed in the Times. I certainly
know how important a Times review can be. It is simple because you and
the paper are as important in our society as you really are and because
you are ordinarily so competent and brilliant that your potential for
great public disservice is greater than that of anyone else.

It is, therefore, incumbent upon you to be really impersonal,
to be more responsible than anyone else in your field, and to know what
you are talking about before you speak. Without rancor - and you know
perhaps better than anyone else how much your attitude on this subject
has harmed me - I tell you in this case your performance and record and
through you that of the Times is not consistent with your and its standard.

I do hope you will take the time to at least glance at WHITEWASH II
and learn some of the fact that has escaped you.

My work is continuing. In the course of time I believe you will
find that it is significant, that it is the definitive work, and that it
is in the national interest.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg

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Mr. Harold Weisberg
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I don't think I have the whole story about the assassination and I don't think Manchester does and I don't think you do. So there we are. We do what we can.

Sincerely,

Eliot Fremont-Smith

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