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Dear Jon,

If Zodiac had something to sell, I could honestly give your (non-existent) salesmen - excuse, salespersons - testimonials!

More than a week after your story I'm still doing radio-by-phone interviews and even have one scheduled for tomorrow, a Sunday.

About an hour on KUNM (Univ. New Mexico) just over, KEAL, San Antonio, for tomorrow night (when our dinner guest will be the former Washington correspondent for the super-Establishmentarian Times of London).

FYI aside on "Establishment": this friend and his paper had the balls to ~~six~~ use the story on Hunt as would-be assassin when our TV nets and most prestigious paper refused to touch the story. My account is first-person. I had it and I did the offering. Not until months later, when it was leaked in spook interest, did this come out.

If I don't sell a single book from this KUNM broadcast I welcome the hour and it was not wasted. Of course, we have to sell the book to pay off what Jim Lesar borrowed to print it and to get its content around. But this gave me an opportunity to reach that many young minds with a few considerations they do not, I believe, ordinarily have presented to them, and with fact rather than commercialized and irresponsible conjecture.

No lecture bureau will book me. I'm too "radical" for them. Not even when authentic conservatives, like reporters for the British Conservative (Tory) Party press urged it. And from the other side, when Dick Gregory tried with those who book him.

It is a popular fiction that there is this large "underground" doing all this research on political assassinations. There are so few doing real work you can keep your shoes on and count with ease. Those whose message is heard are those who do and have done no work and who commercialize the great desire of the young for information.

And I could tell from Joe Monahan's questions the kind of non-fact to which he had been subjected and by which he and others had been influenced.

To me it is like comparing prostitution and love. (No offense intended to your women associates. The opposite.) And I hope that the legitimately shocking I was able with the tape running and no eye on the ~~am~~ clock to present made the point and helped understanding and a future enhanced capability for discriminating among those young minds that are as of now listening. Joe said he was going to air the tape when we finished, the only reason that at the end he referred to time.

This I think the Livingston blatherkite is not nearly as truly sensational as the truth that could have reached the same audience because what we were able to present in court is in every legitimate sense more sensational than his fictions.

This is not intended as criticism of you. It was legitimate to quote counsel, whatever he said, as the straight press does.

Anyway, thanks. And thanks also for the clips.

Best,