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Dear Marina,

I do appreciate your calling yesterday and although Mailer said nothing that ordinarily would be of interest I did get two little things from it I have already written for the book I'm writing on his, Schiller and their pathetic book. If you had not called I'd not have had those two items.

I'd rather the second call had been a little earlier. and that I could have understood more of what you said. I use a speakerphone because my hearing is so poor. My wife understood what I could not. It was not your voice of your slight accent. It was my hearing.

Other medical problems account for my keeping unusual hours. They have me wide awake quite early and the only way I am able to cope with them is by retiring early. That not only works but it gives me early-morning hours that are never interrupted and I use for writing. This morning I have yesterday's mail to catch up on so I write you first.

One of the other medical problems cause a different problem. When I'm writing I often forget to do what I am supposed to do, get up and walk around a bit after I've been sitting for a while. This is because I have so little circulation in my legs. When I do not do that for too long my legs tell me, as I told you last evening. To cope with that I leave home and walk inside six mornings a week. Three morning, when I have blood tests and then physical therapy, like this morning, I'll leave about 4:45 or a little later. I get the morning papers at our box and then drive to the building in which the lab is. I skim one paper and when the building opens at ~~5~~ 5:30 enter it and walk until I must stop and rest, before 10 minutes. I read the other paper for 4-5 minutes and then walk again. I do this until the lab opens at 7:00. When I leave there I go to physical therapy and I'm usually home before 9:00. Then I get back to writing. The other three days I leave a little after 6:00, go to a supermarket near a mall, walk a little in the store, buy anything my wife may want, and then go to the mall that lets me in about 7:00. I walk and Vest inside it for an hour or so and then home. I'm home by 8:30. Each night I should be abed by 6:00 to be able to get enough sleep. This morning I was wide awake by 1:00.

This is why it would have been better if you'd phoned a little earlier in the afternoon.

Those who will have and to a degree now have copies of all my unpublished work are Professors David Wrona, history department, Univ. Wisconsin Stevens Point, David Wrona. He retires the end of this semester. His home address is 1518 Blackberry Lane, Stevens Point, WI 54481. Dr. ~~xxxx~~ Gerald McKnight, Hood College, Frederick, Md 21701. Dr. Gerald Ginocchio, Dept. of Sociology, Wofford College, Spartanburg, SC 29303. And a ~~xxx~~ lawyer friend, William Heichter, 1315 Lyndon Lane, #115, Louisville, KY 40222.

In addition, some will be in an official and public<sup>ly</sup> available file. While I do not have any real hope for the board appointed to see to it that all government records are made available, from my experiences with three members of the board and its executive director, I loaned it the computer disk on Case Open as I wrote it. They printed it out for the use of the staff. I gave it to a member of the staff. And all their records are required under the law to be made publicly available when they finish work. Before the retyping of that book stopped, before it was entirely retyped, it was at page 792. Only a small part was published. What was eliminated was my using Posner's dishonest ~~poor~~ prosecutor-type book, as a defense lawyer would have but I used the official evidence only. With the official evidence I proved that Lee could not have been the assassin. Not only that he was not—that he could not have been. That proof is now an official government record for the future. If it is possible for me I'll use it in the book I'm writing about Schiller/Mailer.

It is particularly because both present themselves as so macho that I would like it if you write out in your own words how they ~~try~~ tried to pressure you into saying what is not true that they wanted <sup>you</sup> to say. And if you can also give me the page numbers of the book, that will help. I'm not going to waste time when I have so little reading all that junk and for a book about their corrupt book and their corrupt lives that is not necessary. On that and in such simple things as saying your friend was your sister, along with the pages numbers. Mailer in particular dislikes being ridiculed and that is what I have done with much before he got onto this trash of theirs. I'll do more with it and as I write what I can when I can, to be put together later. I've already done a chapter on their book. That is about Mailer saying he knew Lee was the assassin because he "understood" him. I used that and other quotations I have from him to go into Mailer's understanding of violence from himself, from his having knifed his first wife two times, one cut to the heart almost fatal, lying to the doctors about it and trying to get her to lie to protect him.

I spent the odd and end of time yesterday marking the book up and I'll do that this morning while I'm inside the lab and for the half hour or so I wait for the physical therapists to get there.

I'll appreciate any specific criticism of the book you can make and feel like. I'd like this for my own understanding because I'm not going to read most of it and so that it may be a record for history. If by any chance you say something you do not want in the book or want that confidential, please make that clear. While I have no reason to believe there will be any publisher interest in this book I'm working on because Mailer is Mailer there may be a possibility from those who do not like him, as some have reasons for.

The problem from my not understanding you well was distortion, not volume. So if we talk another time please remind me to try the volume a little lower. I use a setting that gives me almost no trouble at all with most calls but the phones others use vary much.

Chins up and best wishes, Harold Weisberg

