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Mr. Thomas Eastham, Executive Editor San Francisco Examiner 110 Fifth Street San Francisco, Ca.

Dear Mr. Eastham,

Under date of January 2 your secretary returned to me a letter I had written Donald Stanley and told me how to reach him. Ny thanks for these courtesies.

And my apologies for not having included the descriptive material about my new book. I do not know whether your paper carried any of the syndicated stories on it, but AP, UPI and the Washtington Fost syndicate all put extensive stories on the wire. From my mail, I presume the story was on the wire at/a time not convenient for you because there always has been much interest in my work in the Bay area and the letters have been very few.

Allen Dulles' disclosures about the CIA, joined in by the late Senator Russell, who was then "oversight" chairman (and who encouraged me in my investigations of the Report of the Commission of which he was a member), today have a new topicality. So, I hope you will consider a review of this book. If you would like, I'll send you one.

It took me years and a suit to obtain the once TOP SECRET transcript of which all 90 pages are reproduced in facsimile, together with once-secret investigative reports.

One part of this transcript that has not been mentioned anywhere deals with the rights of reporters and the press in a way not consistent with the late Chief Justice Warren's public posture and reputation. Repressively. In the same of non-rights.

But saying, in effect, that they all lie and consit porjury is, I think, quite relevant today when there is so much public interest in allegations of abuses by the intelligence agencies. This book is the only source of what I report to you and of much, much more.

I am a one-man publisher. This book has no connercial distribution in your State but it is available from me. I do hope you will see fit to call its existence if not also its contents to the attention of your readers.

## Sincerely,

## Harold Weisberg

P.S. Yesterday's Supreme Court decision in the case of James Earl Ray is a consequence of work that began with my Frame-Up, of which the Publishers Weekly review is included in the enclosed flyer. I am Ray's unpaid investigator. My colleague in the new book has done most of the legal work although he is junior counsel and alone established yesterday's precedent, of the right to discovery under habeas corpus.