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Dear Walter,

I presume you got busy Thursday and couldn't call until after you knew I'd be tied up. The next a.m., your meeting, and we had to leave at 12:30 if you tried then.

You will recall previous correspondence on my CIA Foundations file that Jerry has avoided returning for most of a year, avoided getting from his friend who has it for a long, long time, giving childish excuses. It is now several weeks since I wrote him about this. If the request is any embarrassment to you, forget it, but if it is not, I'd appreciate it if you phoned him and told him I have asked you to ask him to give it to you for careful forwarding because both a friend and I now have need for things in it. I'd prefer Greyhound or registered. If Greyhound, please put my phone, 473-8186, on envelope. They will call and I'll go in and pick up. The file simply can't be replaced now.

I do not know if I mentioned it earlier, but if I haven't, Hil is an expert indexer and would welcome some jobs. You need look at my books only to see how good. Earlier she did enormous indexes of Senate hearings for the Senate. I mean hearings running to 50 or more volumes plus many reports.

If you read the enclosure in haste, let me point out that this connection of Aunt with the agency that seems to have killed a deal on WHITEWASH while employed by the CIA and pretending he wasn't fits neatly with the new disclosure that he worked for the White House and a p.r. firm that did CIA work at roughly the same time he was doubling in the literary world, with the same interests involved as would be involved in mixing any mass presentation of contents WHITEWASH.

The reason later given for end deal is spurious, that contents unsuited to magazine. The quintessential chapter stood alone and was reprinted without change in Saga.

There may yet be a fast book and buck in The Watergate Caper, with which I'd help or do fast when there is enough, subject to fast editing. It could be a Democratic campaign document. If this potential market is likely, then the book could be on an unsolved crime and could bring in much JFK stuff and yet omit anything on the assassination or its official investigation save for use of FBI reports from it. I have hundreds that could be relevant, some that could be TMT if there are developments that are possible. If my analysis is correct and there is no official burial. These documents could include CIA. And its fronts.

I've heard nothing further from Jerry. I have received proof that there has been other espionage by this cabal. In this case I can pinpoint to one of two sources, depending on where or not it was deliberate. There is always the chance of accidental blabbing. But I am beginning to wonder why it is so important to spy on my work, files, etc. For the overt purposes, nothing is necessary except the expert's training, competence.

I suppose there is more, but in haste it doesn't come to mind. Best to all,