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Dear Rabbi Hier,

If I remember correctly, in his Mengele book Gerald Posner made some nasty comments about Simon Wiesenthal, against your enter, or both. I cannot check this because I gave that book away. It impressed me when I read it. Having read his current travesty, Case Closed, and seeing that he has many overt CIA assistances and seeing that the possibility if not the likelihood of still more such assistance, I then recalled that after Mengele appeared all public representation of any interest ⁱⁿ him disappeared. And then I wondered who might have wanted any more discussion of Mengele to end. Of course I do not know. But I do wonder after reading this book that without question is the most thoroughly, most professionally and most intendedly dishonest I ever read.

I am the only one of those generally and improperly lumped together as "critics" of the Warren Report. I have seven published books and there is no theorizing in any of them. I debunk them when I believe it is necessary.

Past 80 and in impaired health for some years I decided that the most worthwhile use I can make of what life remains for me is to try to perfect the record for history to the degree I can. This includes annotating the trash as it appears. When I got into Posner's book I decided it is worth more time and ^{that} attention. As of now I have about 30,000 words of a book in a rough draft. If as is probable that is not published it will still be a better record for our history. Aside from a considerable volume of my own work I have about a third of a million formerly-withheld ^{pages of} official records I obtained by a dozen FOIA lawsuits. Aside from copies I distribute to professors friends all of what I have will be a permanent public archive at Local Hood College. If when I finish this book it cannot be published the ms. and the support for it will be available to scholars in the future. In this regard also I am interested in any information you may have and can let me have copies of. Even just biographical. Particularly any analyses or commentaries on his earlier books.

If you have not read his book, the CIA made its prize defector, Yuri Nosenko, ^{available} to Posner for interview and then, even more unusual, for an appearance on 20/20. But after interviewing Nosenko Posner suppressed what he got from my books that Nosenko said that in fact triggered those three years of such terrible personal abuse by the CIA. There are many such omissions. Not normal for a writer who prizes his reputation, ^{unless he} or has no debt to repay, I think.

Thank you for anything you may do. Sorry my typing can't be any better. Good luck in your fine and important work.

Best wishes,



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