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Dear John,

This is one of the specifics you all asked for at our last meeting. It also is one I've raised in the past without response.

Because of all the material when I last wrote you about this I did not have time to check my files. Since then I have had occasion to. I've learned what I think your people should have realized, that when I referred to Bunt I really meant Morris Davis.

Your people also should have been aware, as Doug Mitchell should have been aware if DJ review is to be anything other than a rubber stamp, that the Davis identity was not secret. He had been in touch with the House assassins, the Bureau then asked for an okay to disclose his name in the records for the assassins committee, and in fact that committee made him available to Mark Lane. How in the face of these facts could you claim any exemption?

One of the results ~~is~~ is to introduce much confusion in these records when there need be none. An example is in Birmingham 44-1740, in part beginning about Serial ~~2229~~ 2229 and going on for a while and at other points you should have no trouble locating. The obliterations add to the confusion, especially those I believe to be neither necessary nor justified. If you'll examine what you have done to Serial 2240 I think you'll find an illustration.

Here there is reference to an unreferenced, unidentified LHM and covering airtel of the time of the King assassination. This Serial, 2240, is dated years later, 12/20/76. It thus is impossible to identify and locate these records, if they have been released to me, as they should have been.

I believe that in the processing of these files, which was after your stipulations, you violated those stipulations as well as the AG's 5/5/77 directive. Whether or not others agree and without regard to where we will be going on all of this or how, I have present need for use of these records. Their form makes any use an invitation to error. It also limits any use, safe or unsafe. I therefore ask that your people go over all those that are relevant to the Davis-Frosch-Liberto-Aeromarine-House committee-Lane records and reprocess them in accord with the stipulations.

There is reason to believe that aside from these Birmingham records there are Memphis records of which I have no recollection at all. This leads me to believe that they are not in the Memphis records that you did provide. I believe that my confusion involving Bunt comes from his being in Memphis.

The Frosch case, by the way, is largely public at least from the time he was indicted on well-publicized charges over his cache of weapons. I have long had a file on him. I have reason to believe that whether or not related to him or to him alone there are records not provided that parallel these kinds of accounts. My information is from an FBI field office, not Memphis or Birmingham. There was a circularization, according to this information, of suspicions relating to one big in guns and of that political coloration, as I now recall also connected with support of Governor Wallace. Maybe in connection also with fund raising.

Sincerely,

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