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Dear Milt:

After learning from you that Mr. Weisberg wanted all my correspondence relative to my work on the Kennedy assassination film, under the "Freedom of Information Act," I took out my two files on the subject at the Laboratory, and I'll give them to you tomorrow morning when you come by. The only items I removed from the file were two Xerox copies of the typescript that was sent to the Information Division, for conversion into the LBL report, and that eventually became the article in the American Journal of Physics. (That saved Mr. Weisberg the cost of a lot of Xerox copies of material he already had.)

I have now completed a search through my home file on the same subject, and I've found a number of letters to me that I answered on Laboratory letterhead paper, with the help of my secretary, Ann McLellan. These are no doubt covered by the act, so I have added them to my lab file.

My home file contains the two original letters I sent to CBS, on personal letterhead stationery, and typed by my wife during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays of 1966. They contain no information that isn't in my article, but they are my personal correspondence with friends, and therefore not covered under any Freedom of Information Act, unless the Constitution has been amended in the past few weeks.

As I say in one of the letters that you may soon be reading, I lead a very open life, so I am quite unconcerned that anyone might read what I naturally considered to be private correspondence, when I wrote it. I have fortunately made a practice of writing all my letters for the past thirty years or more, with the thought in mind that someone other than the intended recipient might someday read it. So although I would soften an occasional word, here and there, if I were writing all these letters again, I am quite satisfied to have reread them all again, today.

I find several references to an article in the LBL "Magnet." It isn't in my files, no doubt because I cut it out and my wife pasted it into the scrapbooks we have kept about our lives for the past twenty years. Ted Kirksey certainly can find a copy for you in the files of his department.

You will see that a few of the letters in the file have holes punched at the top of the pages. Ann McLellan puts all my regular correspondence in

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lettered files, for five year periods, and those holes are what hold the "A's" separate from the "B's". No doubt, when she went over all my old letters, before she retired a year ago, she found some of these letters in my ordinary files, and decided that they should go into the "Kennedy Files," which are kept loose, in folders.

If I can be of further help to you, please call on me.

Sincerely,



Luis W. Alvarez

P.S. Since I have spent several hours today "working for Mr. Weisberg," I would appreciate it if you would ask him to send me a copy of his book, which I have never seen.



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