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Mr. H. Richards Rolapp  
Room 4112  
Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Rolapp,

When you gave me the copies of the papers I had requested pursuant to Civil Action 712-70 this morning you said that while you had no personal knowledge, you assumed it included all I had requested. You also told me to write you if this were not the case.

On checking these papers against the list, I find the first and last items missing. The first is the file cover, the last a simple letter informing me that, in fact, I have been given access to the entire file that is the subject of this action. Those who showed it to me are in the same position you are, having no way of knowing. I did not ask that this be signed by anyone in the Civil Division or anyone in particular. I presume there is someone who knows that this is the case and can write the letter for his own or another signature.

Before I was shown anything your Department moved, I think prematurely, to have the case considered moot. In response, I asked my lawyer to inform the court that as soon as I had received copies of what I asked for I would move to dismiss the case. This I will still do.

I enclose 25¢ to pay for the single sheet to be copied, the indentifying cover of the file.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

Department of Justice

Washington 20540

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Bernard Fensterwald, Jr., Esq.  
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Dear Mr. Fensterwald:

Mr. Wilson has asked me to respond to Mr. Weisberg's letter of June 2, 1970, concerning the case of Carol Weisberg v. United States Department of Justice, Civil Action No. 70-10, U.S.F.C. D.C. A copy of that letter is attached herewith. I am writing to you instead of directly to Mr. Weisberg because you represent him in this matter.

It has been learned by individuals in this department who have reviewed our file on James Earl Ray that Mr. Weisberg has been given access to all papers which he requested. It is possible that these papers had been forwarded to the Civil Division and were not yet in any kind of a permanent file. When our attorneys inspected them in connection with this litigation the papers examined by Mr. Weisberg were contained in a plain unmarked file folder. We are therefore unaware of what file folder Mr. Weisberg has in mind. If you have any question about this, please contact me.

It is my hope that you would pass this information to Mr. Weisberg. We assume that you will take steps to have this letter disclosed before the hearing set by the Court on July 7, 1970 on all pending motions.

Sincerely yours,

CARL EARDLEY  
Deputy Assistant Attorney General