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Dear Harold,

I have your letter dated 22nd August. I have been busy with the documentary. For the 1st time I prepared for testimony, interviews, etc, and it came out OK. I was questioned for a day by atty. Pepper then the prosecutor Hickman Ewing (former Fed. AG of Memphis), took a day. He is playing the racist card & didn't bring up the St. Louis conspiracy or the Alton bank robbery. He relied on FBI summaries. One had me telling the Canadian lady in 1967 that no one who "lives around nigger" ^{doesn't} cares about them. But then I quoted from the RCMP document which quoted the lady as saying I never mentioned MLK or blacks to her. I wonder how the FBI get away with this type falsifying records, or why they do it since the witnesses, like the Canadian, won't support them. This proceeding were just a back up in case I won't be allowed to testify in the court room the network is renting.

As to the Abernathy files, the FBI ask the hearings be put on hold until february. I opposed the motion. They also said there is no FBI file on Abernathy prior to 1968. This is B.S. & I'm filing interrogatories to get this allegation in the record under oath. I know everyone knows about the Thames project but Pepper ask us not to talk about it anyway. The media in the U.S. would like to sabatoge it and they could false quotate Jerry.

As to the Desoto, the prosecutor dodged that issue so I guess he has found out from the Memphis FBI that I was in fact there on April 2nd. The only outright lie, excepting distortions, he had on paper was that an FBI report had me asking a gun dealer in Birmingham, when I purchased the rifle from aeromarine supply, about bullet trajectory, etc. I dodn't recall the guys name or address but am getting it from pepper & filing an FBI FOIA request about the person - probably an FBI pimp. (Meleson was never my 'pal, I just gave him an interview. I think Patterson got back on the booze. He gained about 150 before his death. I'm sure old stepin fetchit Stokes will block any move to release the MLK files.

Anna' atty. Marvin Mitchelson is, I strongly expect, another Percy Foreman. Probably a closet child molester & is doing the JD bidding to keep from being exposed--similar to that liver-lipped conservative, Cong. Robert Bauman did when he was leading the fight against froming the SC--then later was nabbed soliciting sex from a 16 year old in a DC ymca.

Sigma TV is one of the largest TV networks in Europe based in France. The way these helps is that the US pols & news media have some type phyco need to preach to other countries, especially Europeans, about how wonderful the U.S. rule-of-law is and these documentaries, even if not entirely accurate, is an embarrassment to the international preachers..

The fed. Judge conducting the mock trial is named Franco, from s. N.Y. I believe. He is about 70 and appears to be a good judge. That's about it. Trust Jerry has not sent any more cassettes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J.E. Ral". The signature is written in dark ink and is underlined with a single horizontal stroke.

PS, in one of your old letters you said the FBI said the radio in the Mustang didn't work. It worked perfectly and I listened to it the night of April 4th when I was heading for Atlanta.

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Dear Jimmy,

I've not heard from Jerry and I've lost no sleep over it.

You wonder why the FBI phonies up reports, with the Canadian lady in mind. Simple. They got away with what they wanted to do. They leaked that years ago to blacken you. They almost never have to answer for such things anyway. They even do it with what is going to court so they don't worry a bit about what won't get there. You ought to see some of the stuff they distributed about my wife and me! Such things may appear to be trivial to you and to me but it is not to them, which is why they do it.

Don't deceive yourself and build too much on it but what you are working on is not a "documentary. It is a ~~dramatic~~ dramatic fancy of you on trial.

I do not know what Abernathy request you made but remember they may have him filed other than under his name at FBIHQ, although I doubt it, with "see" cards referring to where those records are, as in the SCLC file or those alleging Communism to blacks. And Atlanta may have what FBIHQ ^{does} does not have. I think you are whipping a dead horse on that. You should be able to find more fruitful requests to make. By the way, I think it is certain that they filed what he said in his book about King and women. They love that kind of stuff.

There has been no talk about the Thames project of which I know and the trouble is not only that Jerry could be quoted falsely, it can be terrible when he is quoted correctly.

I don't think the reason the prosecutor in the mock trial is that he found out about the DeSoto from the FBI. It seems to have avoided the DeSoto. It is more likely that he sees nothing for his case in it and perhaps problems for what he is going to day.

Strange to me that Mitchelson would take Anna's case. She'll get no loot for him to grab.

I remembered that you told me you were listening to the radio when you left Memphis. That is why I was surprised to see an Atlanta FBI report years ago on its examination of the Mustang in which it said the radio did not work.

I won't be seeing Pepper's super-spectacular when it is aired because we do not have cable. I don't recall whether I ever told you but years ago when he was here and saw what I have and wanted some of it and I was not able to do the searching I got him a college student who did. I do not know what it is but it is whatever he wanted.

Whether Jerry exaggerated or not it seems to me to be a good idea for him to get a trailer and live near his son and you. From what he said he'll be able to make out OK.

What Thames may do is make you look better for whatever value that may have. It should at least make you feel better.

I agree with you one Stokes not wanting their King records out. If you remember the job I did for John on their stuff and nonsense about him that they had to publish and that was when they withheld so much and allowed me no time at all to do it. Sincerely,

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