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Dear George,

Organized

If the enclosed stories on the Regional Crime Information Center interest you, my source is Peter Sherdian, 904/523-7514. Kay Pittman Black is a good, experienced reporter, southern woman who is not a racist. This led the local police to try to give her a rough time personally. She is tough enough for that. If you or anyone else at the Post is interested and think using my name can help, do it. I think that Kay Sherdian suggested to ~~Sherdian~~ that he get in the tough with me and perhaps I was able to give him some help, including a source down there.

These people, who appear to be those who were involved in the suit to get the Memphis cops to turn over their domestic intelligence files several years ago, do not by any means object to information on organized crime being available. They fear that as elsewhere it is a cover for renewed domestic intelligence and are uneasy over the lack of accountability. The contract with North Carolina specifically is one in which he has no responsibility, Sherdian tells me.

When federal court ordered the cops to deliver the domestic files, they burned them. I've told Sherdian to tell the ACLU where some are ~~HEE~~ available. I have copies of them, but less than should be available. A professor is making a study of mine.

Sherdian says there is quite a history on Armistead. He also seems to have much influence.

Best,