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Dear Harold,

I received your mailings of 7/2 and 7/3 both today. I make rapid reply.

I have complied with your request for Skolnick and am enclosing a carbon. Not that I begrudge doing it, but writing such things is as satisfying as making in my pants--if you get my meaning. I hope this is what you had in mind.

On the shirt pictures, it is possible that I may misunderstand your efforts, but I have some suggestions. First, have you asked DJ for photographic copy of the whole thing and not just slits? If they've given you a part of it, then they have to give you all. As for A, their argument is that they do not have original. They told me this and said to contact FBI. You may have a good basis for suing A for this, but is it worth the effort now with so many other suits pending to go through this when you could probably get it from DJ without litigation? Or has DJ refused? The knowledge I lack is who would be named defendant in this suit and, in that line, have you exhausted all administrative remedies to get the full version of the picture?

I could make the enlargements you request but I think that is the wrong approach. First of all, the quality copying I could do is going to reduce clarity further. Second, wouldn't it be better to get this directly from A as you did with the slits and the WC picture of shirt? You (or even I, if you want) could write A saying that you want to study just the hole in the neck--no gore--in as much detail possible. The printed thing is the best they have so ask for biggest enlargements possible from printed page of the close-up of the hole and of the hole on the regular size picture. They would send you a bunch of dots with no meaning and you would have the same thing you did with what they sent you of the slits. If I do make the prints, there will be at least a three week delay between film developing, printing, etc.

OK with comparison. Have already used some in my writing but will be silent on it.

I look forward to seeing the medical stuff from the memos you recently got from A.

Why until Aug 12 for copy of Ray file cover? I am perpetually astounded by the childish ploys of the Injustice Dept.

You indicated that you are sending me copies of A stuff partly so I can keep index up to date. Here's what I'll do. I'll keep my own cards on what you send, using same subject headings as I did there since things now are pretty much on select topics. I'll follow same format and when needed or when I come next, I'll get these cards to you to add to the big index. All we'll need to do is to put a number atop the card since, when there was more than one card per topic, I numbered them in chrono order.

I sensed your interest in Marcello when there so I'm enclosing this clip which I thought you might want.

Must go.

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Best,

Howard