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Dear Dick and Harold,

Yesterday I got a whole load of stuff from the Archives.

As I expected, they have none of the SS or FBI interviews with the Parkland docs. They also do not have the covering letter with which the autopsy notes were sent (CD 371). I've written Eckhoff that I was concerned about this and asked him--in the interest of having a complete file--to contact the agencies of origin and obtain copies. If Eckhoff refuses, I'll ask Rhoads. I know this has failed in some cases when Harold has done it but I think I have a certain edge because of my age. All they sent me in reference to these requests was a SS report from CD 87 (SS663) which refers to an interview with Perry and the Gregory FBI report from CD 5--Harold has both.

Also got a Xerox of the backs of the originals of 133A and B. They are numbered 46 and 47, have the initials JPA and the date 11-23-63. In crayon is A on 133A and B on the other. I thought Marina said LHO signed the backs but checking now I see she said she burned those copies after the assass and that these are others.

8 x 10's and 5 x 7's are now \$2.00 each. Xerox still 10%.

I think Harold said they denied the autopsy authorization to Nichols. This is odd for they gave it to me without question. I asked for it because I want to use it in my book in reference to Finck's excuse about the family's wishes re not dissecting neck. AFIP regulations say autopsy cannot be performed until this form is obtained and it authorizes a complete autopsy. Furthermore, AFIP regulations say that the neck organs must always be examined in a medico-legal autopsy no matter where the injuries are.

Documents from Photo WW show that the WC got 8 contacts from Black Star of Parkland Hosp pix by Shel "erhorn. I've asked for these. Harold's correspondence does not indicate he asked for them--unless he did it in person.

That's about it--must go.

Best,

Howard