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Dear Larry,

Finley

These will be the last clips on the Rosselli story I'll be copying and mailing.

I have received others that are relevant and are not suitable copy copying.

Including what bears very much on what I've suggested about the lawyer. But given the CDN apparent economy kick I see no reason to subsidize it. I don't have time to keep up with my own work and I don't care if they find a story or not or get their pants beat off on a local story or not.

Mine is an entirely different interest. For my purposes I'll be keeping a file.

The reporting of our local papers has been first-rate. They are beating the major papers regularly with a one-woman staff in the county seat.

If you did or do anything along the lines I suggested about the connection of the lawyer I'd appreciate a copy. In that I do have an interest. It is beyond my present capacity to do it myself, Jim is abroad and he returns to an exceptionally heavy burden in four cases of which I know in two of which he has already established FOIA precedents.

Best,

Je,JDW: Your 8/9 from CBS radio was very worthwhile on Wadden. He, not Rosselli, is my major interest in this. Finley called me back while I was taking the carbons out of the letter I wrote immediately after he told me they were going him a ^{rough} hard time about toll calls. He has been checking. Of all people the desk sergeant in charge of the case of the Chicago mol is Danny Groth! The police claim to have no record of her earlier marriage reported locally, to another guy who killed at the same time as Rosselli and in the same way, if not reported out there. One Gino Carrafa. His earlier wife, also of gangland connection, alleged suicide just days before these murders.

I did not ask and he did not say but I presume Larry had a few words to say to his ~~edit~~ ^{Chicago} ~~hassling~~ editor prior to the call, hence his callback.

^{Chicago} Cops tell him no record of this woman's marriage to Carrafa. Impossible given the fact that the cops of the next county, organized crime unit, have been in touch with them. Wadden's name is that of a former partner, of the time the firm screwed ^{Bill} and me, in (Edward Bennett) Williams, Wadden & Stein, in which Joe Califano is now a partner. The firm then repped CIA, as I did not learn until later. An unnamed lawyer who claimed to rep two men was the Pearson-Anderson source on this 1967 launching of the Castro-kick-back theory now grown into the big diversion. Knowing this reread Je's transcript of Charles Osgood 8/9. I'm keeping a separate file on this. If you want regular coverage please let me know. Otherwise I'll wait until it has come to a point of some definitiveness and make copies for you. If you think it would help feedback to me I'll do it daily. Our local editor is on deadline. I've left word for him to speak to me when he is free. Maybe we'll get together for supper, tonight or another one. His wife has a heavy social schedule, generally. And I'd like the correspondent in on it. HW 8/18/76