

Rt. 8, Frederick, Md. 21701

5/25/73

Dear Mr. Rosenthal,

Thanks for the courtesy of enclosing the envelope with your letter of 5/21.

You ask if I "know any of the novels written by" Hunt and note possibly interesting "implications here in regard to several of " my books on the JFK assassination.

I have not read or seen any of Hunt's novels. I have the names of some and the descriptions that the papers carried. There was to have been a discussion of his literary life and accomplishments on the last quarter of NBC's Today show this morning, but I could not be home for it.

If you have read any of his novels and do see a relevance or connection, I'd be quite interested. His Bay of Pigs career is enough to suggest what you do, but have you more or something else in mind?

Are you aware of the various names under which he has been published?

I am, of course, interested in anything you know. I also stay too busy, so I can't spend much time in correspondence when there is not something rather specific involved.

For whatever it can be worth to you, I give you my opinion that the Bay of Pigs was only one of a number of similar operations in his past.

And I would not be surprised to learn that he had transferred his base of operations to the domestic scene prior to going to work for Nixon and the White House.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

This is a total stranger who addressed me as Harold Weisberg, Author, Frederick, Md." His business is Esamar Products Company, in St. Louis, Mo. If his knowledge of my work is limited to that to which he refers, JFK, then I find myself wondering how he knows I am in Frederick. All the JFK work bears the H'town address. It is possible he remembers the city from a TV show of ~~two~~<sup>8</sup> years ago, but that would be exceptional. His secretary signed for him. Thus, "formerly" appears as "formally", referring to Hunt and CIA.