

copy ready file

4/19/69

Dear Gary,

I return herewith the smaller of the two files you sent Special Handling under date of April 15, together with a letter to Ivon relating to it and the Thornaby comparison. I have not made a copy of it for I am confident it duplicates what I already have, in part. With it are Paul's letters to you of March 12 and April 1. Should the March date read "April"? Or were you home then?

Fill me in on the Surrey thing (3/12). I have interest in him for inclusion in CO UP D'ETAT. Id "the connections we know about" Walker? The scurrilous bit?

4/1: do you guess his sources? Would the woman be one of the Dallas group, perhaps Gary Farrell? Jaffe met some of them.

Sincerely,

4/19/69

Dear Lou,

This may be quite important, so I write when I can, before daylight, on the basis of incomplete information. I made three telephone attempts yesterday to get more information, but the party to whom I must speak was not available.

I have in my possession, coming to me indirectly from Dallas, these documents from your files:

Sep 1 67 franked envelope, P.O. Box 100, Leavenworth, Kansas, addressed to Bill Martin;

3.23.67 typed, 3-page letter signed with the alias Don Morgan (which several of us believe is an alias of Dave Proctor);, about Nagell, with "copies to file, Remparts and Mark Lane" (underlined as Jim is wont to do);

Handwritten, 1-page letter signed by Nagell, to Martin, dated April 13, 1967. with several added handwritten notations;

Similar envelope address to Martin by Nagell, dated April 17, 1967 at Springfield, Mo., by cancellation, with added notations (2);

Retyped letter headed "Letter from Richard Case Nagell to Senator Richard Russell January 3, 1967... (did not xerox well)", with added notations (these notations may be in Martin's handwriting);

Two-page memo from Martin on Nagell case, top missing, was on legal paper, this copy letter-sized Xerox, recounting his 4/19/67 conversation with Dr. Ciccone, Director of the Medical Center for Federal Prisoners;

Ditto, single page of three short paragraphs, beginning, "on the morning of April 25, 1967, I had a rather lengthy meeting with a clinical psychiatrist in this city" for help in composing a letter to Nagell;

I am aware of the possibility that subsequent to the trip to Dallas I made with your knowledge you may have assented to this being given to someone there. I am also aware that Boxley had been in contact with the person I went to see before I was there (as well as after, if you didn't know that) and he may have been authorized to give copies of this file to someone. It is my impression that this is far from your complete Nagell file. I have a continuing good relationship with this man in Dallas. I have also introduced a friend to him and they get along very well. Everything may be in order, but because of the possibility this is far from what was delivered and that it might not have been authorized, I tell you about it. I have every confidence the person from whom this came would not use this file against your interest. I will continue my effort to learn more. If there is anything special you'd like me to do, let me know.

A second matter is important to me and Gary Schoener. About the time of one of my trips to New Orleans he mailed me an only copy of work that had been done comparing Hornley's testimony with his printed version. There were extensive changes in it. Neither he nor I can find this. It may be important to you also

that we complete this work. Therefore, would you please have the Thornley and any other appropriate files checked to see if inadvertently it was opened as office mail and place in the file? There were about 20 typed pages. It was a rough draft. It was not by Schoener but was done for him, at his request, by another person.

Referring to the Nagell file again, I cannot copy this and send it to you because, as you know, I am not in a position to use my better copier and the quality of what I have precludes the possibility I could make meaningful copies on the old Thermofax, which is working. Indications are that it is one of a series of generations of Xeroxes.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

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PAUL M. ROTHERMEL, JR.  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

April 1, 1969

Mr. Gary Richard Schoener  
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Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

Dear Gary:

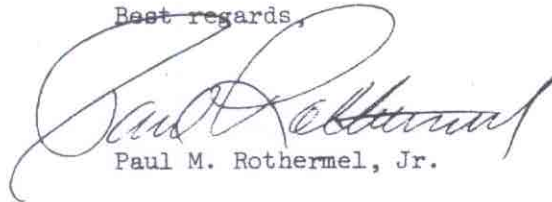
In answer to your letter of March 27 I have determined that according to the material attached which mentions Don Morgan, he and David Kroman may possibly be the same.

A confidential source advises that he thinks the two men are one and the same. Another source who was in New Orleans and who had an opportunity to talk with Jaffe said that Jaffe told her that Kroman and Morgan were identical. This information came about during the Shaw trial.

Our first source asked that he not be identified for two reasons. One, he is not certain of the validity of his statement and two, it is necessary to protect his identity.

As I uncover additional information which may be of value to you, I will pass it on.

Best regards,



Paul M. Rothermel, Jr.

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Attachment

HUNT OIL COMPANY  
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PAUL M. ROTHERMEL, JR.  
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

March 12, 1969

Mr. Gary Richard Schoener  
105 Gladstone Road  
Lansdowne, Pennsylvania 19050


Dear Gary:

I have your letter of March 7 and am writing you at your parents' home to tell you that I do appreciate the information. It is of great interest to me, and I would appreciate any further information you might have about Jaffe.

I cannot immediately lay my hands on the information, but it is my recollection that I know Robert Surrey from something other than the connections we know about. Mr. Hunt does know Roy Cohn, but as far as I can determine, the last time he saw Cohn was about the time of the death of Joe McCarthy, and I do not find any correspondence or telephone calls between Mr. Hunt and Cohn after that time. If memory serves me correctly, McCarthy died over ten years ago.

Once again, many thanks for the information.

Very truly yours,



Paul M. Rothermel, Jr.

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