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Dear Harold:


I am very appreciative of the enclosures which arrived along with your letter of the 25th. I would greatly appreciate your making a name search on H. L. Hunt, Nelson Bunker Hunt and Lamar Hunt. I am enclosing a check to cover the photostating costs.

There are so many things to do here that I don't know where to start, and of course, I like to do some hunting in the fall.

I just got back from the West Coast, but I didn't have a chance to talk with Pete Noyes, etc.

Again, thanks for the attachments.

Best regards,



Paul M. Rothermel, Jr.

PMR:vw

Encl.

11/1/69

Dear Bud,

At your earliest convenience (unless it can be done in your absence) I'd appreciate a check of the card file, incomplete as it is, for all listing of H.U., Lamar and Bunker Hunt. I am asking the Archives for everything. This will give me a check on their completeness and may also disclose some classified items of which they may not tell me.

On another subject, you will recall that the Archives insist, in writing, that neither they nor GSA has a transcript of the Halleck trial. I now discover that they have a file on this (money-making) from which they have been selling the panel report (free from D.J.). In short, they have an archive outside the WC material, organized selectively, to include what is or can be made to seem to be congenial to the official fiction and excluding what is so utterly destructive of it.

Missle-age "scholarship".

Best

HW

11/1/69

Dear Saul,

For special reasons I am asking the archives for everything on H.L., Nelson Barker and Lester Hunt. I am writing to ask that, if no one has yet done this, the next time anyone goes through all the indexes, they make a record of each document for me.

This will give me a check on the completeness with which the order is filled and you, will give me the withheld documents, something I may well not be told about.

You thus will also know everything I will or should get and can get a copy of whatever you may desire. When the order is filled, I'll send you a list of what is included.

Thanks much.

Hoffman is here this weekend. From him I have learned that he got his copy of the panel report from the Archives. This is a further clear demonstration that they have files, parts of the archive, that is not WC material. Remember, I once indicated this special meaning of their stock phrase, "not in the pertinent files of the WC". Henceforth I think we can safely assume this phrase means they may well have what we seek in files others than those of the Commission.

Moreover, if they have a file including the panel report, how can they not have the legal proceeding in which it was used, of which it is part? Yet you have the letters in which they assure me they do not. Thus they delineate the character of the file: propaganda. At least, this is the way I interpret it. A selective archive, containing the propaganda only is nothing else. If there is a valid basis for having the panel report, that same basis requires the court proceeding and the decision. Only the fact that the decision was against the government and the transcript of evidence is utterly destructive of its posture are reasonable explanations of this unscholarly selectivity -to me.

Best,
HW