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Mr. Leo Sauvage
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Dear Mr. Sauvage,

It is only the respect I have for your integrity and quite superior ethics that prompts this letter.

Your letter to the "minority of one" makes a judgement of what will be presented in court with no knowledge of what will or can be presented. As a lawyer, you know that there is no need for Garrison to present his evidence now and that he cannot give it to you or Aroni or Sylvie.

I cannot pretend to know what it is. I have never asked him, for that, I believe, also would be improper. I have every reason to believe it is more than Russo and more than Bundy. However, you do know that what he presented to a panel of three judges and to a grand jury convinced both these, was probable cause.

The polemics against him are the equivalent of those for the Warren Commission, during its existence and since. They serve not the end of justice, which must first be determined in open court, with proper and, you can be certain, competent opposing counsel. Until then, such writings serve to prejudice both the judges and the juries. The right to a fair trial is also that of society. This campaign is like that in the Sheppard case, only from the other side.

I do regret, very much, that you and Sylvie and Aroni run parallel course with NBC, CBS, AP, and all the others.

In your case I regret it additionally because if he is right you thereby are very wrong. It is clear he does not postulate a racist conspiracy.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg