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Dear Moo,

As you requested, here is the transcript of my phone interviews with Ricardo Davis. This is my last copy. Please Xerox and return. If the Xerox is less clear, you can send me that, but please do it on letter-size paper, for I have no legal-size file end, with a new cabinet today, I'm already out of space hence do not want to fold the long pages over.

I haven't time to reread it. My recollection is that he at one point said "For Christ's sake I hope you're taping this!" so the tape is not improper, eh, counsellor?

It is my recollection that he said he gave a signed statement to the FBI about Shaw after meeting him at a party and finding him pro-Castro in his talk. I asked if he gave a signed statement and he replied, approximately, "I said Signed, S-I-G-N-E-D."

I ran out of tape and in the wee hours had none at hand. However, I believe the part where he said his friend the FBI agent moved to Houston with him is on the tape.

There is a slight problem I anticipate in coming down. With the friendly attention my luggage receives every time there is reason to believe it holds what cannot be contained in the heavy bag that does get under the seat of the plane (and they now allow as carry-on only what will fit there), what do I do with the files I bring? My notion is that I carry them on the plane nonetheless and get the stewardess to put them someplace where I can retrieve them at the end of the flight. If I can make them fit in an extra case or box, I guess that will do. But I ask if you have something for the transport of files that, should I need it, I can use. I will not let these out of my possession. I will use a nonstop flight. The bulk may not be so great; I may be able to get it all in the large case. But I ask in advance not to be confronted with a problem in the last minute, on the chance your office has had this problem before.

I'll get the filing done tomorrow, if there are no emergencies. Then, before I can get on the memos, I have to put up the storm doors and windows. It has been to zero here and I haven't been able to winterize the house. I'll also have to take the diving board down and in. I can't go away and leave the place like this. But I'll get them done promptly.

Paul will send me a copy of his Wasp memo, so if I have anything to add, I'll do it promptly. I forgot to ask him if he has the report that says LHO's fingerprints were not on the leaflet (without saying whose were), but I have you a copy of that last week.

This will not get to go out until tomorrow night, so do not read intrusion into a simple delay. If you are not in the office Saturday, you will not get it until Monday. I will not be able to leave to go to town tomorrow until after the morning mail has gone. Therefore, it will not leave until the night mail.

Please give the enclosed note to Lou.