

Bear Earl,

4/7/97

I believe I told you that the supposed assassination book being prepared in Baltimore was probably one of Livingstone's works of fiction. What I think may have been what Hirsh Gildberg heard about is his publication of an indecent book that has nothing at all to do with the assassination by a woman who claims she had an ~~affair~~<sup>affair</sup> of 20 years with Lyndon Johnson. In it, as Livingstone earlier quoted her as saying, she says that LBJ told her just before it happened that no Kennedy would embarrass <sup>again</sup> him by the end of that week.

It is her account of their love affair she says they had, with emphasis on when and how they were naked. That she dedicates to her dead son she says was also LBJ's.

I bought the book by mail from a store that specializes in this kind of literature and just yesterday I got an anonymous phone call in which I was repeatedly threatened with a "big law suit being prepared" over my regarding this woman as the liar she is. The man would not identify himself. Instead he hung up. So I checked my caller ID and the calling number was Livingstone's.

Of the work that is being retyped <sup>is</sup> a completed manuscript written over a period of two years and in need of much work but still a powerful, and unusual indictment/expose of Mailer's Tales, of the JFK Assassination. <sup>Norman</sup> Mailer and his pal the scavenger Larry Schiller did a nasty, ugly, dishonest job including in the intended defaming of Marina Oswald Porter. It is of about a thousand pages of which I've just corrected about a fifth of which, if you want to read it before the <sup>of</sup> corrections are made, I can send you the duplicate copy I always make so I can answer questions.

If I do not hear from you I'll assume you do not want it.

While this could be a very powerful work there is I think no chance at all that there is a publisher who will make what amounts to an assault on the Random House empire, which it now is, and on the privately-owned empire of which it is part, S.I. Newhouses.

The epilogue to Waketh the Watchman, of 11 more chapters, has not yet been retyped. I think that will begin in about a week.

Best,

Herold