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Dear Harold:

I am enclosing a copy of Graham Allison's book on the Cuban Missile Crisis for you. I think that it is one of the better books to come out of the political science field in recent years. His second model, that of governmental action as organizational output, is the one I've found to be the most satisfactory for attempting to understand the Warren Commission.

I had hoped to come down your way this summer and perhaps dig through your files for documents to support my thesis but events of the summer were (again) against working on my thesis-my Father has not recovered from my Mother's death and there was that to contend with as well as working in the family business. In September, however, I will have to register at school again and will face a time limit on my dissertation, so I will have to get down to the nitty gritty of thinking and working on my thesis. Before all this, however, I am hoping to take a much needed vacation to London for a week.

I do hope that you will like Allison's book and will consider it as a gift from me.

sincerely,

*Nancy*

P.S. I have not seen anything further in the press about the Assassination Committee since I mailed you the last bunch of clippings.

Dear Nancy,

8/22/77

How fine a gift, the Allison book on the Cuba Missile Crisis. Just when I was wondering what book to read next, too. I do thank you.

I had sort of expected you this summer but you did the right thing to be with your father during a trying period for him.

You also might want to allow enough time when you are here to read and make your own notes ~~of~~ on those executive session transcripts that I do have, all but two and parts of two others. That case is on appeal. I lost it. Meaning for the remaining transcript pages.

You may want to read Warren's Memoirs. On pp. 317-2 as I recall he goes into the pictures, X-rays and related matters in an unrecognized confession of what I spotted in the transcripts, that they did too have the autopsy film. They lied and blame the Kennedys, the saying of which has earned me wide unpopularity. Aside from my publication, which was ignored in 1974 and 1975, this is the only publication of that fact I think is important.

Your going for governmental action as organizational output makes good sense. I have seen a different aspect recently, how they red-baited me to keep anybody from paying any attention inside the government to what I'd written. I'm beginning to get some of these infamies, notorious also for their inaccuracies where they are not fabricated. (Of course I was never a communist.) Hoover did a real job on LBJ. With me he said I celebrated the Russian revolution every year. It was a falsity, of course. The only time there were ever large numbers of people at my farm was when the Jewish Welfare Board took service families there to see living things and things coming to life. But this is the way they worked and continue to from the more recent records I've obtained. I'll make any of this available that you may want, if you do, but not for any public use until I have all I expect to get of their files on me.

Last time you wrote you mentioned having a New York Times clipping that spoke well of me and of the time of the Ray escape. I'd appreciate a copy of it. I do not have it. I do have the Wendell Rawls story a little earlier than just before the middle of June.

You have seen nothing about the assassins committee because they have switched to the star chamber, having finally had it down on them that when they do wrong and it is known it gets reported. I am not making any special effort to keep tabs on them but enough reaches me to assure you they are the same, only in secret. For now. I doubt it will last.

Thanks and best wishes,