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Dear both,

Knowing how overworked you both are I would not ask this if it were not important. If you don't have time to write a response, perhaps when you are just sitting and resting you can tape what I'll would transcribe.

What I'm asking is your recollection of the beginnings of Garrison's involvement in what we later learned was the fake book, "Farewell A^merica." Particularly that he first let us know that it was the KGB that was going to provide secret information on the JFK assassination and that when this was talked about hush-hush by those connected with Jim reference was to "the San Diego Radio Station" that all understood had the call letters KGB. If you can remember anything about the involvement of others out there when you were at KHJ, it can be helpful, especially the Ramparts people and the character who used the ~~name~~ name "Jim Rose." If you remember the day he turned up at your office with that collection of syringes he claimed to have retrieved from the garbage at an estate in that area, that also would be helpful.

Anything that Rose, who was Turner's boy, said that you can recall could be worthwhile.

Or Steve Jaffe. By the way, if you know, is the p.r. woman Andrea Jaffe related to him?

From a story I saw she is Oliver Stone's flack. Or one of them.

I don't want to jog your memory on it because if you have any recollection I want it to be independent but when Rose turned up with those syringes he told us his purpose in seeking that "evidence" for Turner. If you have any recollection, that could be useful.

Also anything you may remember that he said about having had a CIA connection, or about his trip to Mexico to pick up the promised KGB info. for Garrison.

Or other names he used, real or otherwise.

Or if he was working for Turner, Ramparts or both.

As you can see, I'm trying to avoid coloring your recollection after all these years, trying to avoid any possibility of feedback.

My best recollection of when this was is that it was late-October or very early November, 1968. I was out there, in LA, went to San Diego for a couple of days, returned to LA, was staying with "Charlie Brown" and you drove me to the airport on election day. I do not recall whether it was before or after I went to SD.

I think but I'm not sure that Steve Burton, then a kid, was driving me around in LA. He had an old Mercedes his father gave him when the father got a new one.

I also asked "Rose" about a picture taken at "G-Name Key, if that jogs your memory.

Hope all is going as well as it can with you personally and with the sale of the station. Our best,

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Dear Hal:

Egad! What a challenge you throw at recall. I let your letter lay for several hours to let the sub-conscious flow begin. Due to all that is happening here I do not have the time to seek out my notes which would be of great help. Nonetheless:

...At the time Jim Rose came to KHJ he was working for William Turner and his partner in LA (name escapes me for the moment). I can remember speaking with Turner and getting confirmation that Rose was his "associate". Rose claimed he was ex-CIA, having been recruited from the Air Force by the agency. He claimed involvement in the effort to sway U-S public opinion toward the plight of Cuban refugees before the Bay of Pigs. Said he was with the agency when they would stage refugee flights from a Miami area strip after he first sprayed the plane with machine gun fire in non-essential areas. The craft would then circle round for a commercial landing with news media waiting for the crippled craft. He also claimed to have been involved in a U-S gunboat operation in the Gulf of Tonkin wherein CIA boats disguised as No. Vietnamese gunboats shot at U-S vessels, prompting LBJ to get his declaration of war against North Vietnam. I have an audio tape of the Tonkin assertion. After it aired a copy was requested by the White House. The WH press secretary called me personally...forget who it was.

...The place where the syringes were found is also "fuzzy". Not sure if it was connected to Edgar Eugene Bradley or Sydney Korshak or ?. My notes would know.

...Jim Rose told me he picked up the info for Garrison in Mexico City. I remember him telling me that the connection was a Russian from the Soviet Embassy. He further tied the man to one of those Dealey Plaza photo guys. One of the bunch arrested on the overpass. One of the men was later thought by Garrison to be Edgar Eugene Bradley.

...Rose was known by other names, none of which pops into mind immediately.

...Sorry, the No-Name Key photo you asked Rose about doesn't jog the the mind.

...Steve Jaffe was just a young kid at the time who wanted close to the case. I don't remember with clarity who his familial connections were or just exactly who recommended he be allowed to work with us.

Hope it's of some help.

Warmest regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'AP' or similar initials, written in a cursive style.