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IN REPLY REFER TO: N

Mr. Harold Weisberg  
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

This is in reply to your letter of August 29 concerning records of the Warren Commission.

The relevant files of the Commission do not contain copies of the following documents in which you are interested:

1. The original Ferrie statement which is transcribed in Commission Document 205. The Commission's record copy of this statement is the transcription, of which a copy was furnished to you.

The balance of this letter was masked out to eliminate confusion. It relates to other aspects about which I had asked questions. The Ferrie report in question is in the Ferrie-New Orleans file. Compare with Baker handwritten report as compared with typed version, Arnold reports, the FBI's and the one she signed, for examples of how the FBI treated evidence and reports and to show essentiality of original evidence. Point out that here is another case in which the Commission lacked original evidence, that Ferrie's statements are self-serving and known to be false (because he was insane, could he be depended upon to utter truth if he so intended?), and that this statement represents no FBI quest for truth and fact -information. Even so, it says nothing. It is not even an unequivocal denial of having known Oswald. It makes no reference to the threat the FBI knew he had made to kill the President. And, with the perversity that was part of his insane character, feeling of innate superiority, he gilds the lily by noting that "I have personally typed this" FBI report! We know it is not original because he says it is "of two and a half pages" and because the FBI, in transcribing it, has underlined his errors.