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Dear Hal,

There's about a quarter of an hour before supper, I've just come in from a little work outside, and there is nothing I'm reading, nor is there enough time to work on the editing. So, a perfect time for a brief note.

The Chronicle clipping was valuable. It enabled me to check the completeness of what I had from the papers. That is a subject of special interest to me, for reasons you'll ultimately understand in full.

I think you or Paul wanted Fidel's post-JFK-assassination speech. I've not had time to copy and I think it adds nothing to what you originally gave me, save a measure of his understanding, which is impressive. If you still want it, I'd prefer to wait for some time in the future, for I've only one copy. Not even a single carbon was made by the girl who did the translating.

If you haven't replaced your tape recorder yet, study the ads for the cassette machines. Decent ones much more portable than the one you had and much less costly are available. Around here, what should be good ones for about \$40.00.

What seem to be decent typewriters can be had for the same price, those I know to be good for a little more. Royal, for example, has one made in Holland that I once had that is fine and two years ago cost only \$58. Have you checked the hock shops? If you do, look for a Hermes if you can afford it. They have a portable that is as durable as some many-uprights, and with all the features of most.

I've almost finished correcting the COUP add. As soon as I do + plan doing some notes for the part you saw, updating that and intending to use it as a sort of appendix, probably write a brief chapter on the Sirhan trial, and then return to EM. So, if you are going to be able to tell me more about the picture of King hanging in effigy in NSRP HQ in time for me to use it in the text (which is no problem in offset), I'll need it soon. Not vital, just a nice touch. I've not had time to look them up, write them for it.

For whatever it is worth to you and to go no further than Paul and Jim, I am satisfied James Earl did not give Jerry that statement to make and that J.B. Stoner did. Think about this for a minute.

Chow call!

Best to all,

PS I've written Harv and Jim Eason without response.