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Dear Hal,

Priority Mail worked this time as it is supposed to because your 1/10 came today. It is a wonder because those envelopes do not hold up well and the entire bottom edge was open! But I have no reason to believe anything fell out. I respond immediately on the chance that someone comes who can mail this in town. If not it should still reach you on Monday if mailed tomorrow.

Thursday is the one day next week anyone has told me about. Barb called to ask if she, Doug, Cathy Cunningham and someone else might come that day and they have already told me they want to lunch at the place to which I took them last year and they enjoyed the (real, no filler) crab cakes that much. If you come with then you'd save a car rental but we'd also have little time together alone.

Wednesday I should be home by 9:15 from my pearly morning walking, blood testing and p.t.

I've not been to DC in a long time and the streets may have changed some. Last time I was at the Sheritan it was to spend the afternoon of his HSCA appearance drinking with Loran Hall, his lawyers, and George Gardner. Skip said I might invite Gardner. Hall's lawyer drove me home, Hall borrowed some picture than then he kept them instead of copying. So, I have cause to remember.

As I recall, Calvert Street westward soon feeds into a diagonal to the right with an island between each half. It dead ends in 34 St which becomes ~~the~~ Reno Road. It may have changed by then and be Reno. Stay on it until you are at Albemarle Street. It had a traffic light. Turn left on Albemarle and stay on it until you cross Wisconsin Ave. Sears store at that intersection, police station at next intersection. Turn right at the police station to Canal Road and then turn left on it until you come to the Beltway, I495. Take the first entrance to it, to your right. It puts you on a four-lane road. Get into one of the two left lanes of it as soon as you can because before long it splits, the right lanes compelled to go to the right. The left two lanes become the I270 spur and they put you onto I270, which takes you to Frederick. At Frederick the I270 identification disappears, and when you see I 70 avoid it like the plague. Stay on the road you were on. It becomes US 40 and then US 15. At West Patrick St., US 40 leaves and you leave with it, after you've crossed the bridge. You'll have seen the second Holiday Inn before you get there and you go to it. When you come off the expressway stay to the right as much as you can because at that Holiday Inn, on Baughman's Lane, you turn right as you can on a red light. In less than a mile you come to an all-way stop, and there you turn left onto Shookstown Road. When you start going up the mountain, you are in Shookstown and about the equivalent of a 4-5 city

books you'll see Old Receiver Road on the right. Take it for about two blocks to our lane, paved, and come into the house through the carport.

After you are on Old Receiver for about a block there is a fork. OR there is the left fork. Then a ^{on the right} small white frame house and then a single ^{5 story} brick house and then at the bottom of the ~~short~~ incline is out lane.

Wednesday looks like the best if you do not want to be with the others because Bill Mills on Hughson,, CA is coming for several days the 23rd. But from Bladensburg road you start ^{each way} on the other side of town and then some. It will add at least a half hour ^{to} travel time and that if there is no holdup on the Beltway. I am not certain where it will be best for you to take the Beltway from there. I think it may be a little north of where that motel is. It is going north there and then it ~~the~~ turns west. The Connecticut Ave. exit will be a landmark for you to watch for that at Wisconsin Ave. There you take a spur under Wisconsin and that becomes I270. As I remember it there is a bridge for Wisv and the road goes under it. The rest is the same.

If you come on Wednesday try to get onto the road by about 9:30. That is when the worst of the rushhour traffic is past and you'll be here in time for us to talk a little before lunch. We usually go to the restaurant ^{on} of Oriental friends or to the closer place where the others loved their crab cakes last year. Remember I have to be abed by six and there are a few preparations I often have to make. So, this way we'll have a little more time together.

Of the enclosures I may read Livingstone first and I may write Rose.

Was your caller from Florida at the Palm Beach Community college? A professor named Naugere teaches a course there. Seems like a solid man. In any event, I hope that with him Scott and Summers are more dependable than they sometimes have been.

I've always believe that ONI was a real possibility for LHO but the evidence if it exists is not known to me.

Walt Brown, ^{peel off} seems a bit ~~poed~~ at me since I told him correctly that he needed lights. Perhaps it was the first trip when what he was going into was not what I believed you wanted. I've ~~not~~ gotten his book and do not intend to. As you know, I have nothing to do with theorized solutions and I do not believe the Dallas cops did it. Or that there is such evidence.

C & G sent proofs of the Livingstone Killing Kennedy (he may as well do that again, too) to many papers. Some time ago Lonnie Hudkins read it and phoned me. He had a lower opinion than Brown, it is that bad. Crazy. Lonnie said Harry had Zapruder party to the doctoring of his film! in his book.... I know nothing about Holland's book.

Excuse the rush. We look forward,

Fine review! Thanks. I've written Rose but if I wait to read and correct I may find what if I rush I will miss. Give it to you when you are here.

Handwritten note: Correct such piece is all right, too!

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Dear Hal =

I had intended to write you sooner than this but I had so many things to do before taking my trip to Washington, D.C. If you'll recall, I had previously written that I will be leaving San Francisco on Tuesday, Oct. 17th & arriving in Washington late in the afternoon. I'll be staying in that city until Monday, October 23rd & my flight out of Washington, D.C. will be early in that evening.

For Tuesday, Oct. 17th & Wednesday, Oct. 18th I will be staying at the Master Host Inn, 1817 Bledenburg Road, N.E. (phone # 202-832-8600). On ~~Thursday~~ ^{Thursday} morning (early), I'll leave that place & then relocate to the Omni-Sheraton Hotel which is at the intersection of Connecticut Avenue & Calvert Avenue. Of course, the Omni-Sheraton Hotel is where the COPA conference will be from Friday, October 20 through Sunday, October 22. This, I'll be at the Omni from Thursday, October 19 through Monday, Oct. 23rd.

If you'll also recall, I intend to rent a car for the days of Wed. Oct. 18 & Thurs. Oct. 19th. I am hoping that

You will be free one of those two days so that I can visit you since I'll have a car to get to your place.

I realize that by the time you receive this you may not have a chance to write me in time before I leave on my trip. What I'll need to know is directions as to how to get to your place. Of course, I can call you when I get to Washington, D.C. on Tuesday, Oct 17th & then get directions from you. But keep all the dates in mind & if you need to call me when I'm in Washington you have the phone numbers (the Omni phone # is 202-234-0700).

I put together a small package of items which I'm enclosing with this letter and I'll just add a few comments on some of them.

On my articles (the "Fourth Decade" & the "Investigator"): the "Fourth Decade" is, as you can see, on Cockburn and I got a call all the way from Florida from a researcher who was really excited over it. He said he teaches a course on the JFK case & wanted to know more about the 1963 CIA listing of FCC members which didn't show Oswald. This I learned of from Anthony Sammers who most likely got it from Peter Dale Scott.

On the "Investigator" - the editor printed my review of your book, "Never Again" & sent me the advance proof of my review. He has not yet put out the magazine so the review is one so far only you, but I know about.

I still haven't received my copy of Crouch's

"Assassination Chronicles" which contains my article on the January, 1964 transcript discussing Oswald's alleged intelligence ties. I know Crouch must've sent you an advanced copy since you sent me a copy of the letter you sent her regarding the article.

I do have two other articles none of which I've yet received but when I do I'll forward them to you. One will appear in "Dallas '63" regarding a new look at eye-witness testimony about witnesses who either "saw" or "heard" the assassination & the other is the talk I'm giving at COPA titled "Oswald - a U.S. intelligence agent - the Evidence". (COPA will publish it along with the other papers being delivered). I'm going to state that the "compelling" evidence is that Oswald was an agent & "most probably" under the O.N.I. I will not state it as fact, however for certainly I can't do so as you well know. I do note, however, that Walt Brown in his latest book "treachery in Dallas" has come out & stated Oswald was "sponsored" by the O.N.I. I believe that if he did come up with this he most likely picked up the idea from the COPA paper I'll be delivering where I provide for the "compelling" evidence that Oswald was with the O.N.I. He may, of course, had this belief prior to seeing my COPA paper but it probably reinforced his thinking on it.

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There are a few other items you'll undoubtedly take note of in the enclosures. The first is that of the Livingstone diatribe appearing in "The Fourth Decade" which ran for nine pages. You'll not be surprised at how many people have asked me why Jimmy Rose is allowing such space for Livingstone to use as a forum.

You probably wouldn't also be surprised that both David Livingstone & Livingstone called me recently. I was upset that since he can't appear at CPA (he says he has no money) his primary focus on "body alteration" won't be discussed. (He's right - it won't be & not simply because Dave isn't showing up). Livingstone was concerned that a tape of his which he made of nurse Bowron is now being "faked" using another woman's voice & he wanted to know if I knew who could be doing this. Of course, I knew nothing.

Harrison also told me his book ("Killing Kennedy - The Hoax of the Century") was coming off the press on October 4th. I checked a few book stores since then & none of them have it. Walt Brown told me he had been reading it (prior to Oct. 4th) & said it was "awful". Just reading what Livingstone states in the "Fourth Decade" article I've enclosed is a pretty good clue as to what he'll

be saying in his book.

The other things I'll briefly comment on are: The Mailer book review by Max Holland speaks for itself. Holland, I understand, is doing a book on the Warren Commission which most likely will be apologetic in tone, I'd guess. I still haven't figured him out although I've only seen him once.

That's about all I can think of for now. I guess you won't have time to write me back before I leave (on Oct. 17th) so I'll be calling you from Washington when I get there.

I do hope everything is OK with you & I'm looking forward to seeing you again.

Best,
Hal