

Dear Hal,

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The reverse side is the corrected title page of a book-length manuscript of which, in time, Bill will get a computer disk. I've told him that it is OK to give you a copy but with the restriction that you'll keep it to yourself. That is because I want no controversies I can avoid, I'm that feeble, and I particularly do not want them with good people who do not recognize their limitations in the field and assume they do not exist.

The manuscript is on a stinking article by Kermit Hall of the ARRB in the Maryland Law Review. I use it to do more than expose Hall. I use it to show that despite contrary pretenses, the ARRB is not addressing the assassination itself, and did not intend to when it assumed as the basis for what it did that the official assassination mythology is real, is truthful.

Last I heard from Gary Aguilar, which was long ago, he was working with them and with high expectations. I like Gary and particularly do not want any controversy with him. I presume I've not heard from him for so long a time because of what is in his mind, what we have disagreed about in the past.

Not hearing from him is no problem for me, as these disagreements are not.

The less I have to respond to the more time I have for the work I'm still trying to do, albeit for so many fewer hours a day.

I have to be careful in what I do or I'll do simply little things that I never gave any thought to only to learn that they are too much and then I have to just sit. I use that time for reading. Rereading right now, about your area, Fast's series that begins with what I've just finished, The Immigrants.

For all that is wrong medically the doctors say I'm doing well but that means under these conditions. Some of them say they are amazed that I'm still alive and able to function at all. They use that word. Including the critical-care expert who rushed me to Johns Hopkins last year, not expecting me to return alive.

While it is not a comfortable situation, it is better than one could expect.

I am not able to do more than provide a disk because my medicines alone cost \$750-\$800 a month and that makes xeroxing in any quantity too costly. Bill has been wonderful, as his friend Charles who has the xeroxing business also has been.

Meanwhile, these disks have not yet been made. I do hope they will be before long.

Best,

Hal