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Dear Marty,

I found what you sent quite worthwhile and I've almost finished an
Afterword for Waketh from it.

That I've almost finished it set my mind working on what I'd laid aside,
The Dark Side of My "ersh.

Something you mentioned and did not send could be quite useful in it.

You said that there came a time when Bobby went down to Miami to find out
what why they were not doing what the White House wanted. My recollection
is that you said there is an oral history that includes it, perhaps one of his.

Everybody, including me, missed that Krock column. Quite provocative!
He almost suggest that the Starnes sources were McNamara and Taylor plus Lodge,
the former two then in VN, as his last graf says, and Lodge the ambassador there.

I've heard of but have not seen the Vidal diatribe. If you have an address
for him I may write him after I read that piece.

There should be a limit to what indulging hatred can justify.

I tried to interest Vidal in the assassination years ago.

McKnight's book should be in page proof by now and it is due in the stores
soon. I think it could make a very good TV show. He has more than is in the book.
Westridge in Boulder, Colorado, is the publisher. Space considerations, meaning
price, had some cut out.

Depending on how things go, I have tonight the beginnings of two books I'll
not be able to complete and I think each could be a decent TV show. One is on the
Commission's executive sessions (Exsess) and the other, Honorable
~~Honorable~~ Men, is on the
staff lawyers.

Hope your work is going well, and thanks,

Harold

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Dear Marty,

Except for the Will Fritz stuff, the authenticity of which I question, that is fine and worthwhile and useful material, for which many thanks! But the Halpern stuff bears no source and there has to be more of it. I'll appreciate knowing and getting what else there is. He is used on 30 pages in The Dark Side of Sy Hersh that I'm working on, The Bobby stuff, if there is more of it, is also of great use in that because Hersh says the opposite, without sourcing.

The Krock piece is Merlin-like remembering the future.

The Attwood testimony is particularly interesting to me and I intend to use it in an Afterword for Waketh. In this regard, did you add the marks or were they on the copy disclosed? I'll not add any marks but I do plan a few notes.

This is also quite revelant to the ignorance and venom of The Dark Side. Which I take it you have not read yet.

It is particularly interesting, that these negotiations continued after the missile crisis, immediately after it.

If you do anything about the Hersh slop I suggest the date of disclosure of the Attwood transcript is important. It was three years before he turned his manuscript in. Plenty of time to learn about it, especially with researchers helping him.

I think you said you'll give Wrono copies. I'll do that with McKnight and we'll get copies to some with whom you have had no dealings that I know of.

Anything more like this will be more than welcome.

If you are near here I think it would be a good idea to stop off in part to become more aware of what I have been doing and being able to decide whether you can find use for it in the future and in part to learn what McKnight has coming in a completed book due soon and in several projects I've turned ^{over} to him and which he is carrying forward I think very interestingly. I'm much more feeble and those are I think projects that are among the more useful and important ones. Some of what I have done might be useful in the near future and one I think can, with editing to remove the shibboleths, be more than merely acceptable given some developments that range from likely to certain.

Many thanks, and thanks for anything else like this, and any more on Halpern. On what he says you may want to check what Helms told the Church and House assassins committees. Again thanks and best wishes.

Harold