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Dear Ron,

Thanks for some first-grade bad and unprincipled journalism. I think your story of the 26th will help - other than as those who used you intended.

The same is probably true of the Goshko end of the disinformation operations of two weeks earlier. The one of which you said the Post was not proud.

Maybe your source did not tell you this is not a new story. It isn't. I filed an FOIA request on it long ago, as I had for what includes the supposed basis of the Goshko piece.

I found it interesting that you quoted Belin three days after you admitted he was the wrong guy to ask. As I found it interesting that you did not find it easy to mention Coleman when I asked if you knew the right guys.

I debated Belin once, a year and ten days ago. At the end he was still refusing to demand a new investigation. Then he finished my newest book and less than three days after the refusal he was all over TV and the papers in making the demand.

He was well suited to head Lawyers for Nixon.

From your story he was less than honest with you. He has records that say the opposite of what you said about where Oswald was allegedly seen in Mexico - with Cubans. Of course I'd rather believe it is he who was less than honest.

He has all the records of the pseudonym "D" in the Schweiker report. D is one Alvarado Ugarte.

It takes a big paper to make secrets out of non-secrets, a big Senator and a big reporter.

Now I know why you were not interested in my offer to check your story for you.

There is a comic aspect your source is probably enjoying more than I am - those Dick Tracys running down to Mexico when planes could bring a typist and a translator up and there could be a record.

If you are interested in a long shot I have one for how it will end. With precedent.

This precedent is much more recent but in time you and the Post will come to understand that you are reliving 1964, without having learned from it or caring to.

Or from realizing that if you do not others will.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg