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Dear Ben,

I don't know whether the enclosed letter to Erwin Knoll relating to a story on the Hull business will interest you or any of your reporters but I enclose it in the event it might. You did carry a story on Costa Rica wanting to extradict Hull for murder and other alleged crimes.

Oliver North did send Robert Owen to consult with a man who spent much time and effort preparing people to assassinate and for other acts of violence and domestic terrorism.

And Owen apparently had also worked for Quayle. Later State. Some "security" checking they now do!!

If you have any interest in the preparation of people for domestic terrorism, Brown's stuff ought not be hard to obtain, if Wisconsin does not have it. I know it has the similar and quite detailed information I ~~first~~ got from The Minutemen.

Whatever else it might have on The Minutemen, the FBI also has what I had because I loaned it to them. Also the Baltimore County Police Department, with which I worked some on right-wing extremists.

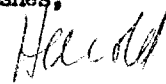
Possibly there have been other such sources for terrorists. I know that CIA-trained Cubans ~~was~~ engaged in not a little and a few FBI informers, too.

My Minuteman file includes their taking credit for the Greenwich Village bombing in which some Weathermen got killed.

If you think that some such article might be considered by Outlook, please feel free to give this to David Ignatius.

I'm reasonably certain that other such information is available from others with whom I used to work, like the Anti-Defamation League.

Best wishes,



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Dear Erwin,

This is for the authors of you "Hostile Acts" story in the current issue and if they-think others, like Chavarria Guzman or Avirgan, might be interested, for anyone.

I was quite surprised when watching Robert Owen's Iran/Contra testimony there was no followup on a name he mentioned. He said that Oliver North sent him to Colorado to confer with several people one of who is Robert K. Brown.

Currently Brown is best know as the publisher of Soldier of Fortune Magazine. In its earlier existence it was Palladin Press. As Palladin Press Bob, who has owed me a double-bladed ax for almost 20 years (and I can't use it now anyway!), probably did more to prepare nuts to be assassins and terrorists than anyone else.

I know Brown from FBI records a few of which I enclose. He was offered a proposition to kill JFK and members of ADA and he failed to report it to the FBI. He did, however, tell a student who did tell the FBI right after JFK was killed.

Bob was then a ^{Captain} ~~captain~~ in the army reserve. After he failed to report the offer to assassinate whoesale he was promoted to major.

The kind of person North had Owen consult was of no interest to any of the committees and Members + informed or reporters.

After all these years I do not remember why I believe it but I think there also were Jews included in Drennan's proposition.

I had a collection of Palladin Press literature on guns, knives and other means of killing, possibly also of techniques, but I don't find it. I think I gave it to the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point. If anyone is interested, Dr. David Wrone, History, is the person to contact.

I know I gave Dave my Minuteman collection. I got it from a "network director" who was a source for me until I asked him to work with a police department. It includes similar deadly information, like how to start with a bag of fertilizer and bomb a building. We've had a collection of misguided people who did prepare others for domestic terrorism. Shadowing, bugging, tapping, etc., too.

Brown wanted me to coauthor a book with him but I declined. I did give a book ms. a critical reading for him.

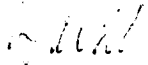
In Soldier of Fortune magazine he did carry ads for people looking for work like assassinations and it was sued over one such killing, if I remember correctly. -t was news.

When I read Sheehan's affidavit in the case he filed for Avirgan I was shocked at some of the truly wild and irresponsible JFK assassination allegations, which he obviously got from some of the nuts, wrote and warned him and not for the first time got not even an acknowledgement. So I did bother, if I remember correctly, telling him about Brown.

Brown was also involved in anti-Castro activities. I have and have not reread for this letter a reporter's notes on an interview with him and a Miami police report.

Brown is in Boulder, Colorado,

Best wishes,


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