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NEW YORK TIMES CORRECTIONS - JUNE 9, 1992

AN ARTICLE ON MAY 20 ABOUT THE AUTOPSY OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY INCLUDED AN ERRONEOUS REFERENCE FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION TO THE HISTORY OF STATEMENTS BY THE DOCTORS WHO PERFORMED THE AUTOPSY AND OTHERS WHO TREATED HIM IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM. SOME OF THEM SPOKE PREVIOUSLY IN PUBLIC ABOUT THE MATTER: THEY WERE NOT BREAKING A 28-YEAR SILENCE.

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AIR MAIL

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Dear Dr. Finck:

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Dr. Crenshaw and I also plan to discuss various comments attributed to Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell, as reported by Dr. George Lundberg at the news conference that he held in New York City on Tuesday, May 26, 1992, and further expounded upon by Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell in an article published in the May 27, 1992, edition of JAMA.

I am confident that you would agree with Dr. Crenshaw and me that every good faith effort should be made by everyone concerned to resolve any remaining differences of opinion pertaining to the medical and forensic scientific aspects of President Kennedy's death. It is most significant and highly disturbing that almost 29 years after the murder of our President, this case remains a highly controversial and unresolved matter in the minds of countless millions of people in the United States, approximately

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In order to make every effort to help clarify and possibly resolve many of the questions and problems associated with the medical evidence in this case, Dr. Crenshaw and I would like to invite you to come to Washington, D.C., on June 17th to participate in this news conference. You can be assured that you would be treated with utmost respect and courtesy, and you would be offered full opportunity to participate in the news conference in the same fashion and to the same extent as Dr. Crenshaw and I.

Please let me know if you are able to accept this invitation. I can be contacted at any time at this address and phone number until Tuesday morning, June 16. Later that day, I shall be staying at the Omni-Shoreham Hotel and can be reached there - (202) 234-0700.

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I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

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P.S. Although I have written separately to Dr. Boswell, I do not know if he still resides in Rockville, Maryland. Inasmuch as I have been unable to obtain a more recent address from any of my medical directories, I am enclosing an extra copy of my letter to Dr. Boswell, with the request that you call it to his attention as soon as you are able following receipt of this letter, and if physically possible, deliver it to him. I have been led to believe that Dr. Boswell resides near you in Florida.

7/20/92 *03/20/92* **Corrections**

9 June 92

An article yesterday about the parliamentary elections in Czechoslovakia misidentified the party that received about 6 percent of the vote. It is the far-right Republican Party of Czechoslovakia, not the Moravian nationalist party, known as the Party of Republican Unity.

An article on Saturday about Slobodan Milosevic referred to him incorrectly. He is President of Serbia, the dominant republic of Yugoslavia; the Yugoslav presidency is vacant.

An article on Wednesday about the California elections referred to Sonny

Bono, a candidate for the United States Senate nomination, incorrectly in some copies. He is a former Mayor of Palm Springs, not the current one.

An article on May 20 about the autopsy of President John F. Kennedy included an erroneous reference from The Journal of the American Medical Association to the history of statements by the doctors who performed the autopsy and others who treated him in the emergency room. Some of them spoke previously in public about the matter; they were not breaking a 28-year silence.