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Dear Jere,

The presumption that Chaplin might be a friend and the knowledge he is a colleague prompts this brief suggestion: if he had any interest in the reputation of his science or his own scientific integrity he'd better first make a study of what he is getting into. He has no idea, no idea of what evidence there is or how credible, how partisan and, in fact, perjurious. The best source, Marine, is useless because she was pressured and threatened and admitted she lied when she thought it served her purposes.

Oswald has a record that is not public but someday before too long may be. At that time those who find nuts growing on trees will wish they were farmers.

If he persists in what cannot be regarded as a genuine scientific intent because of what he cannot possibly know, after I get the next two books done, if he has any interest at all, I'll try and warn him of the pitfalls.

There are worthwhile studies that might be made. None will be popular, and I've heard of no volunteers.

I've told Henry of a publisher who might be interested in the study you and Kaye are making.

It was pleasant being with you all. Hope it can happen again.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

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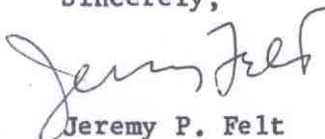
Mr. Harold Weisberg
Hyattstown, Maryland

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Just a line to tell you how very interesting Kaye and I found your presentation last week. (She also appreciated your kindness in sending her the magazine clipping.) I was talking with a man in our Psychology Department this morning, James P. Chaplin, and I understand he is interested in doing a psychological study of Oswald. We had a rather spirited discussion as to whether he should start from the premise that Oswald was the assassin. It gave me a little more understanding of the public opinion problem you ~~face~~ face.

With best wishes and the hope that we shall see you again.

Sincerely,


Jeremy P. Felt

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Again, many thanks for coming up.