## 10/10/69

Dear Howard,
I am the captive of a perpetual-mition mechine: the more work I get done the more work remains to be done. I'll reply to your better of the 6 th and enclosures as I read taem, which is in the order in waia taey are in the evielope.

Your $12 / 3$ to Dick. I think where the fire-escape man is concerned, though you'd "like to know where he's from and how he got up there" (with the likelihood of simple explenations, from employment inside the building and by merely putting his feet through the window), more significant is wat he saw and whether or not de wes ever interviewed. Fron tre first I've believe two things: he had tae best overall view and he saw something thatbshook him up.

12/6- stereo is very imgginative concept. Good luck. hy bo甲ed-for mean of getting slides has vapprized.... Bone hit: Until you produce sonething concrete, I'm inclined to sccept Dick's concept of the possible and probeble. There is much work in thie field I had done, very amateurishly and with professional help. Everything Dicksaid on such metters not only proved to be exactly what my nwn 4-acal experts told me but more, in every cese, Dick was much moreh lucid. he has on excellent understanding of what can happen when a projectile hits bone. .7echt seys tue same tuing, grapuically.

Signing autopsy report: more thun that they just signed it. They were present and had the Galloway law laid down. I'm pursuing supp further....I do doubt the xeroxes ave to be from the original with msskiñ. 1 think it more likely someone was foresighted ond xeroxed in advance of giving to B. I have gone very far in this general area but it will aeve to await in-person comunication. Tuere are barely-visible technical reasnns for my less conspiratorisl interpretation....0n where the bullet nit: I know, I am not theorizing.... Dick is 100 , right in ssying the nuscles changed tieir position. More importent, so did the scapuls (remember FM III).

Your 12/8- on you assuac pix taken after brain removed? what is your basis? It is logical that most pix taken before hody toughed, others as work was going on... ith the supp report, where I've now been assured tine reai has no originel, no work papers, no notes, not distribution, etc., one of the things I'm working on is this. What happened to the harper fregnent? Where are iae tests on its I heve had sll the reports on this since Spring $66 \ldots$. Could $1.18^{\prime \prime}$ be the measurement accross an arc? ...Tnis is not only "thanks to "u es" Finck was in on thet. Would you rephrase your underlined quote as you read it? I tuink this can te ten to say no more than tust there was no resdily $\mathrm{m}_{\mathrm{i}} \mathrm{dentifiable} \mathrm{chracteristic}$, coning re intry. But if this if true, are they not saying there was arole?...In writine ne, remenbe, I nsve no foundetion in anatomy.

Your $12 / 7$ to both- I await proof window was blacked in add explanation of reasons....You have my total sympathy on fire. I can write no other way and cannot teke tie time for rewriting....ith Mis, when I read I'al comment. Sut remember, they are, now, snd have been, books and they are pullished, within the meaning of the lam and so accredited by it. TM dates to $8-9 / 67$, FMIII to $1 / 69$. nd $i$ have by no means despaired of publication. They are now saked for by a piblisher who I want to resd COUP first, after he reads the four printed books, which I sent him two weeks ago and I've just heard from another publisher who is coming here next week, and there is the New York putliaher who has been talking about ontracting into a single volume- and they are also in curope. It is rataer than I just do not spend great effort on tuis now for + must complete II first. Off tue top of my head, wat I'dl probably do is sit down some night and read this "itat the tape recorder nearby
and send you the tape you can later return. Credit is always a sticky taing. aith tine beat intentions (waich I know yours are), theve gre inevitable problems. $I_{n}$ my own anxiety to credit, + have even reversed them in print. When you say, "There ia still a cannce with me", who do you taink will publish your book? Have you something lined up? There are also other uses for which ${ }^{-}$may went to preserve some of my own work, one example being the trial I visualize in the suit we'dl sonn be filing. But, brigges cannot be crossed before veing reached. I heven't time to read ths wnrk now, but 3 s son as there is a prospect of teing sble th do it withour interruption, I will. ntil then, I'in not lookine at it, for I want to take it all at ones, when tae first part will be closer to recoll when - resch tae last. Frior to then, even if + get it later, - have no drawing or picture of the humun skeleton to waich l can refer. If you can send me one (I've asked others who uave not responded) I can, perasps, tell you thether your positioning of the rear torso wound is consistent with my nen knowlesge, which I will slso show you when you are here. However, the signed materisl 1 showed you in conlidence when you were he is approximstely accurgte.

I do not know when you contemplate being able to com-lete your wnrk, but I believe it may be helpful to you (and to me) if you read either FaII if I have it completed by then or the file + heve put aside for it if I haven't before you do the final draft. Certainly before you cake any submissions.

I've long since completed my analysis of Finck's N. O. testimony. I may see it as others do not, for I surplied the backgrounding for it. I'll not take time to read and correct it until I return to FMII. .owever, until then, I encourage you to believe he ia ever sneekier than Dick has said, and that ever when he seems to be unbagging cats he may have cogs in the bag. 1 have nevar, in tae may millions of words of teetimony I've read on meny subjects, seen any quite es proficiently evasive as his, as successfully deceptive, and i encoursge you Iurther to consider thet he hod this all figured out in savence and knew, pretty much, what he was doing snd saying, that less of it may be blurting tasn spyeers to be the case. I beve to adnit respect for his unrivalled skills in this area. With the inflestions of the voice, this must heve been even more persuasive in court.

Good luck,

