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Dear Kevin,

Quite a series of surprises with the package from you in today's mail. First surprise was that you used overnight express mail, which costs more but is faster. Second that there was no memo or letter from you. Next the "Marine Corps records on Roscoe White. I skimmed them first because they were on top. Then I read what appears to be, once you get into it, a summary of a planned book or documentary. The more I got into this the more I decided that I knew what was missing - any identification of the author or ~~authors~~ authors. I am pretty sure I know.

Last week I got a tip that yesterday Gary Shaw and his investigator friend Joe West were to hold a sensational press conference in Dallas at which they'd "solve" the case, rather announce that they'd solved it. There was, I was told, to be another press conference today, in Bud's archive office. I was not surprised not to see anything in the papers or hear anything about any of this on the radio because I gulped when I was told what I report. Unless there is ridicule, I expect to find no media interest in today's, if it was held.

And this is what you sent me, or what is supposed to underpin it. Thanks!

A while back West sent me their press release on their presentation to the legal-investigators' association meeting. I wrote and asked for a copy of their prepared remarks and if they made one, a tape of what they said. I've heard nothing.

Gray and West were here early this year or last year and I tried to get them to see that they were chasing wild geese and I tried to tell them how they can be their own devils advocate. I knew I was wasting my time but I felt I should at least try.

This crap would disgrace a serious high-school effort and it even reflects ignorance of some well-known basics.

But when I saw all that "Marines records and saw the synopsis, without going farthur, made a copy so I could mark it up as I read in the event you wanted what you sent returned. In the event you want to talk about this, I'll have the marked copy, but I'm not going into all of the flaws, stupid and baseless conjectures and wild imaginings.

Of the handwritten notes I could read, one refers to the William F. Weld report, if I got the name right. There is nothing that relates to this junk that Weld mentioned, unless, as I doubt, there is more than the one such report.

It simply cannot be believed that five FBI SAs interviewed the son. Why that many? On the most difficult interrogations their top is two. And one agent from Dallas? Christ, West is so ignorant he doesn't realize that all the Midland SAs are Dallas SAs. Midland is a residency of the Dallas field office. His story about having a conference line open to Washington, in addition to all these guys, not only can't be believed, in all the hundreds of thousands of FBI pages I've read I've never seen anything like this even suggested.

I skimmed the "Marines records and may have missed it but I saw no reference in any of the orders referring to MACS-1. The ship the "exar is familiar, of course!

Can you believe it at all possible that some woman, one who would associate with these types in particular, would a) have the "microdot technology" and b) give it to them? Can you believe that "microdot technology" has any place in a printing operation, which is what Jagers (he misspelled it) was. Microdots in printing?

There was no reason for the FBI to return to steal the journal it had borrowed, and the story is that it did borrow it. They could have copied it or just kept it. They would never have returned to steal it within minutes of returning it. Senseless concoction.

Not even the supermarket tabloids would go for that stupid invention.

It is not possible to believe that the JFK assassin would walk to a car ostensibly to be driven to kill Tippit and know that much in advance where he'd be and when he'd be there. And he doesn't know what he is talking about when he talks about the bullets he says were taken from Tippit's body. One wasn't in any event.

It also is not possible that any such project could be the subject of idle conversation between contract agents. When the CIA decided to off Castro only five people in the government, anywhere in the government, knew, and they were all top CIA people.

Maybe Roscoe Anthony White was a Dallas cop and he was a Marine at the time Oswald was, as were thousands of others, but there is no reason at all to believe that he had any kind of CIA connection from this garbage. Which reminds me, it is quite unlikely that the CIA would have had any large-sized operation just to recruit from Marines at Atsugi. And these crap-artists don't even know what Atsugi was or even how the CIA used it. It was more than a CIA base. That was the least of its functions. And the CIA did not overfly the USSR from it. Have you any idea how much hostile territory would have to be overflown before any USSR turf was reached? And what in the world did they have bases in Turkey, Pakistan, Scandinavia, England and elsewhere for if not for sending the U-2s over the USSR. Without having to fly over all of China first. Stupid, stupid stupid improvisation based on ignorance and perhaps a smattering of the nutty literature and newsletters.

There seems to be nothing new in the inventory of pictures. It was easy for not only Dallas cops but even reporters to get copies of some of the pictures, Lt. Day et al were that lax, FBI records state that copies of pictures were stolen.

I appreciate being informed, thanks. If you get anything else, like their releases, past or present, I'd appreciate copies not because they have any evidentiary value but for the historical record. All the money and energy wasted on what is transparently fabricated, on what is silly and stupid and no mature mind should not reject immediately and automatically, when so much might have been accomplished had the money and energy been invested in projects that could have had value!

This amounts to a disinformation, regardless of intent, and were it to get any attention it would serve this purpose and it would deceive and mislead the people.

Hope you can find to come up again, alone, with Mark and his wife, Jim, or anyone. Only we have no well-rotted manure this time. Some fresh horse manure is available nearby if you still garden and can close your and your neighbors' noses.

Best,

*Harold*