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R. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

In his just published book, "The Strange Case of James Earl Ray",  
Clay Blair, Jr., expresses his gratitude for the information and assistance  
given him by your bureau.

I have written a book including the Ray case, and I would like to  
be able to include any information that might be missing.

Therefore, I write to ask for what has been given Mr. Blair and perhaps  
other writers and any other data you might properly give me.

Now that there has been a court proceeding, I hope some of what might  
earlier have been considered secret is no longer. I am particularly interested  
in that evidence that establishes or tends to establish that Ray was the  
assassin, such things as the ballistics proof. Because there are so many  
contrary indications, I would also appreciate proof that he harbored racial  
prejudices. And with the existing indications of the involvement of more than  
one person, for example, evidences that while Ray was in California someone  
acting for him was in Alabama, I would particularly like to know what persuaded  
your bureau that he was entirely alone. Ray and members of his family say he  
was not alone, as - interpret their statements.

Your bureau has also released some pictures. I would appreciate copies.  
Possibly you have pictures you may not properly give me, those taken by photo-  
graphers at the scene of the crimes. I would like references to those taken as  
close as possible to the moment of the crime and at its scene.

My purpose in seeking this information is to make my work as complete  
and accurate as possible. Because what was earlier available persuades that Ray  
was not alone and probably was not the assassin, I am quite anxious to have all  
the available proofs that there was no conspiracy and that he was the assassin.

Thank you for any help you may provide.

Sincerely yours,

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