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Mr. Weisberg,

First let me say how wonderful it was to speak with you yesterday. I cannot say enough how much it means to us to have your writings and interview in our news magazine. Thank you for taking the time to answer my questions and agreeing to send your article or excerpt on the Norman Mailer book, *Oswald's Tale*.

I am meeting with Marina Porter tomorrow. She has received your letter and asked me to assist her in answering you. She told me she is honored that you would ask for her comments and she has such admiration for you and your work. I can tell you, and I know you agree, she deserves much better than the treatment Mr. Mailer gave her. I salute you for taking the time to be her defender. I have hope others in the research community will speak out also.

I have enclosed various reviews of Norman Mailer's book for your files. Do you have the excerpt in the May *New Yorker*? If not, let me know. (It is the Russia section and focuses on the KGB tapes of Marina and Lee and is pretty lengthy.) I am also enclosing the audio tape from the Larry King interview with Mailer and Schiller. I transcribed the section on the evidence that you mentioned yesterday (see below).

Please let us know if there is anything we can do here to progress your work and get it out to the public. We do not make this offer lightly, we are prepared to help.

Please give my best regards to your lovely wife. Take care,

Sincerely,

Debra

Debra Crouch

LARRY KING INTERVIEW WITH MAILER & SCHILLER

MAILER: "...She believes he was not the killer."

KING: "You conclude he was though?"

MAILER: "I said, I'd have only 75% conviction that he was guilty. If I'd been his lawyer, I could have gotten him off."

KING: "Gotten him off?"

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MAILER: "The evidence is so difficult & tricky. And in my own mind I'm not at all convinced that he wasn't part of conspiracy. I just think he probably was the lone killer. You have to understand that I've looked into his character, not in solving the mystery.

KING: "I got you. You go into his head?"

MAILER: " Yeah, I try to."

KING: "Do you solve it?"

MAILER: "No. No. No. What I do is, I think, create a couple of characters, Oswald and Marina. So maybe other people will come along and be better suited to try to solve it. This is a do-it-yourself book."

BOTH: "Ha ha ha"