

Dear Jim, I think one more of the missing pieces may have fallen into place today as I watched Hunt doing what I'd expected and the committee a little more than I thought they'd do by way of non-investigating. You'll remember I called for your attention, or I think I did or commented on it, that in his book Hunt says he once shared an office with Cushman at the CIA. I think "at", not when "with." Well, today he limited it to the 50s. Booring! Hunt was in Mexico 1950-5, in Uruguay 1957-60, leaving but 1954-5, or a nice fit with the Guatemala overthrow, with which we know Hunt was connected. How nice it would be if Cushman, Nixon's military aide, was 1) simultaneously CIA and 2) overthrowing friendly governments. Perhaps biographical directories, who's who and military, may provide clues. Maybe he wasn't Nixon's military aide until later, in which event Nixon would still have had a spook for an aide. When you are at the library, would you please see if there is anything in this? I'm worried about not having heard from Howard, but I haven't as of today's mail. And in addition to his regular (unpaid) overload, Leser now must rush a sample chapter of our joint book as a sample and possible mag piece. The lawyer we helped last week says he has connections and he does have the interest.... I don't know if SIM sr and jr bothered to make a list of the unasked questions today, but later, when I had a few minutes awaiting supper, I noted a few. If you did -and don't do it special - you may have some I haven't thought of and won't stop now because I want to try to write more before bed. ..Gurney has signalled the kind of questioning he'll do. I welcome it. In going over the printed testimony, I found the fool blundered into two things he was not supposed to touch and we were not supposed to know. Think I sent rough notes to you, or have for 3cl pgs.... For all my dislike of what Hunt stands for and distaste for what he has done and is doing, I was nonetheless outraged that Baker would try to pull the dirty stuff he did (which could have as its only benefit vengeance in the form of jeopardy) and please at Weicher's decency. Shame Weicher is not more astute, more understanding, less the decent outcast of wealth who hasn't learned what he might have had he not been so wealthy all his life... My last letter to my Senator may bring results, but if of meaning, it will mean rewriting. Got a call today for more details on what Ervin committee is withholding. They will ask again. Had this not happened, I was going to write Weicher when the Hunt testimony was over.... If you are delayed paying attention to his testimony, please pay close attention to what he says about Mullen/Bennett/CIA. Went too fast for me to make decent notes, may not see him tomorrow and Post, is consistent will delete. Esp. With Sussman not editing. He volunteered the Mullen-CIA connection first without mentioning Mullen by name. This strongly fortifies what I had

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already established about his connection prior to leaving CIA. So, if you can when at Libya:
could you please include both Mullien and Bennett? Only if you can spare the time, please