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Mr. Lawrence O'Brien
Democratic National Committee
Watergate Office Bldg.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. O'Brien,

Arrogant and deeply subversive in the genuine sense as this incredible "Mission Impossible" of the Republicans is and has been described by you and others, from my own work, files and analysis I think you all fall short of realizing the full import of what is involved. I write to offer what help I may be able to provide, should it interest you.

If you have hired professional investigators, I think I can provide them with facts and leads even the most sophisticated may not find without enormous effort, if at all.

I think I am the one who first supplied the papers with the identification and history of one of the five men that has been used, if incompletely. On the basis of what has appeared in the papers, I have a strong hunch I know an earlier alias of Hunt and his earlier career, which was to engineer the greatest embarrassment President Kennedy faced. On still another of these five I have nine or ten pages of old FBI reports that are enough to assure you should not expect as full an investigation as one with your experience close to the seat of power would assume it would conduct and report. It now has its own past to protect.

You may regard it as paranoid, but I nonetheless caution you that most of today's professional investigators have a working relationship with the FBI they find more important than any client.

I suggest that even you do not begin to realize what the Republicans have given you. It is of such a character that I believe the major papers will back off from it on their own, unless it is attributed to an important person. This, in fact, has already begun. And there is a Republican National Committee past with such characters of which I know from my own earlier investigations, going back to before World War II. I believe some of this may remain in my dead files and I can direct your people to any that may have been mislaid in storage. Senator McGovern's description "quasi-fascist" falls short. (I have reason to believe -not absolute proof - that one of these characters was a Minuteman.)

Whether or not you accept what help and suggestions I can offer, I do hope you press this matter with the utmost vigor. It can determine the outcome of the election. But more than this, I think you owe it to the country.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

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