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Dear Congressman Edwards,

Because I have to leave for a Washington medical appointment after daylight the explanation of the enclosed list of banknote numbers and what is relevant will be less complete than you might want should have have an interest in where they can lead and other details of the disposition of her estate and related matters.

These are xeroxes made from a xerox of the handwritten list made by the office of the Chicago coroner. The two pages on which the numbers are in groups of ten are the \$100 bills. The third page is of \$50, \$20, \$10, \$5, \$2 and \$1 bills. In xeroxing some of this identification was lost.

This list and some of my other information were obtained for me by a solid, dependable source whose information was from a first-hand source, one of those who prepared the list. The FBI had no interest in it and took no initiative in obtaining it. It was phoned and invited to have a copy by the coroner's office. It thereafter had little interest in Mrs. Hunt's property.

At some point the records of her property were segregated from those of other crash victims. At some point some of these records disappeared. The records never were complete because the coroner's office never had some of her recovered property. Among the items recovered and since disappeared is Bittman's home phone number, unlisted. It was given to a reporter by a policeman. (Other similar pocketbook notations were reported in the press but they, too, have disappeared from the official file.) When this reporter phoned Bittman, Bittman said "How the hell did you get my unlisted number?" and hung up, refusing to express even regrets over the tragedy.

Delivery of the recovered property was delayed until the end of the trial. It was then handled neither fully nor properly in the official accounting under Maryland law. It was then done in a manner that amounts to a further laundering of the money, leaving the only records of identification in the possession of the coroner's office and the FBI and making it impossible for other investigators to undertake any investigation that could identify the source of the cash.

I put it this way because in settling the estate this \$10,000 first was not accounted for, then was not disposed of when the judge complained, and because the possibilities of investigation are by no means foreclosed by the failure of the New York Federal Reserve, the source of 63 of the 100 \$100 bills, to keep records of this denomination. Vesco's \$200,000 in cash was kept in the same CRIB safe. If this was not some of the money Parker obtained, in which case I believe the identifications were obtained, tracing for Vesco as a source might be done through his banks, the names of which should be known as a result of all the federal investigations of him. And when he was under all these investigations, should not the public mention of \$200,000 in cash coming from him <sup>have</sup> led to a separate federal investigation to determine whether or not there was a skim that could be illegal? Is not the withdrawal of this amount in cash something of which, if banks did not have records, personnel would have recollection?

One of my central interests in this has been Hunt. I have developed information I have not seen elsewhere and I have put together what has appeared without context. I am nearing the end of my book's draft. I would still be interested in a press copy of the information your committee published if one is still available. (I would also very much like a set because my files will become a university archive, two having already asked for them.) It might disclose meanings to me that might not be apparent to others. In any event, the more intense part of your work will soon be over. You might find a day here in the quiet of the country relaxing and the invitation stands.... The performance of

*you committee has been impressive, for which our thanks and appreciation*