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Mr. W. Clement Stone
445 Sheridan Road
Winnetka, Illinois

Dear Mr. Stone:

I have been looking into certain pre-Watergate (circa early 1971) political activity on behalf of President Nixon's reelection which was directed from Washington and strongly focused on Illinois.

It was a covert dirty tricks operation and, from one source, appeared to be funded with monies advanced by you though not necessarily with your knowledge as to its purpose and scope.

More information needs to be developed to validate this operation before it can be determined whether it should be brought to the attention of Special Prosecutor Cox, the Senate Watergate Committee or otherwise published. *your book?*

Your intent as published in today's Sun-Times of attempting to trace the utilization of funds supplied by you leads me to believe you might consider being interviewed by me.

I cannot be easily reached by telephone so it will be necessary to drop me a note.

Very sincerely,

Ed DeMar

P.S. Some of your public relations staff might remember me from the period I was a financial writer for the Chicago Daily News ('57-'60). Also, Senator Arrington may recall my name from the period I worked with former Sen. Gottschalk on his unsuccessful gubernatorial campaign in '67-'68, and also in connection with development of a bill by Sen. Berning (still pending in the Senate) to create a Public Integrity Commission.