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Dear Harold:

Herewith some accumulated stuff, all explained or self-explanatory.

I do wish ~~you~~ to thank you for the copy of Counter-spy (haven't had time to read it yet) and for the John Moulder story from the Tattler of 4 Aug 74, which concerns an angle I don't recall have heard of before, although it's possible I've just forgotten. Did you have any costs in connection with these involving more than postage? Please say.

In a later issue of the Tattler I happened to pick up here (Aug 25 issue) there's another story by Moulder on another subject which as you know long has interested us. In a word, it says the govamint has decided to lift the lid gradually on UFOs, bit (bit) by so as not to panic anyone, and will wind up admitting they're probably ~~extraterrestrial~~ extraterrestrial. He quotes J.L. Lorenzen of the private investigative group in Tucson. Jim's an old friend, and when I called him he said the Moulder story was substantially correct. He thinks a trap is unlikely and that the feds are serious, at a very high level. He told me enough about the three sources for his information to make me feel he's honestly convinced. Personally, I shall believe this when I see it, but do concede that the dimensions of the flap last year, culminating in the widely publicized encounter with beings at Pascagoula, argue for some sort of official adjustment to reality at long last. But then I have thought this before, and nothing happened., In any case if such a project is in the works it will involve the top intelligence communities as well as administration officials and would have to have been started quite some time ago. My question is whether you have noticed any movement in this direction through observation or osmosis, and I'd be grateful if you'd relay anything you run into that sounds substantial. I've mentioned before, I think, that the UFO coverup was the first really big one since the Lincoln assassination and initiated techniques which have been repeated over and over again in the coverups you have been dealing with. Very subtle and skillful use of the media is involved, among other things, and if the pattern hadn't been so successful with UFOs I doubt if any of the other coverups could have been pulled off with such success. Apc any contributing hints you happen to run into, and thanks.

STM/W appears well out of the woods and sends her best.

And mine,

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