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Dear Jim,

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The National Enquirer is turn on on flying saucers and such. My friend Rod could help place stories. I was reminded of this when I received a copy of a ChiTrib story on the Enquirer from "Mike". This reminded me of the local stories I sent you. Rod says they could get interested. Don't return or look the dates of the stories up because I'll find that out from the correspondent and then get copies for Rod. He'll then float it as a story idea from me.

But this made me think of some of the things you've told me. In particular do I think the possibilities with ancient China could make an interesting piece.

If you don't want to take the time now on prospects but do have what I can show Rod the next time he's here, they do pay well and they do get more interested in what has built-in credibility, like cops, preachers, public officials, not just people who Pope might think got together and cooked up a story.

If he can read some of these things and put them in as story ideas there is no real extra work and no uncertainty about interest.

There could, perhaps, be a story on is the government about to level with us? I don't really know because I never see the rag. But they do reach lots of people and they pay well.

On stories they can check and want to they are thorough. Seems inconsistent but they are.

I don't know what Rod's plans are but I'm sure they begin with some kind of break. They had him working away from home at but 1 and 1/2 of 30 days and he is working now when he is sick. I'm sure he won't come until after I get back at the earliest. He has been turned loose on the CIA mind-toying story and will, I'm sure, do some local interviews. So before too long he'll be here.

The local UFO story can be an excuse for keeping the costs down on the CIA story, which will require some travelling.

What they will not go for I'm sure is the reasonable presumption that the Olson death may have been an assassination. Mike reached this conclusion independently.

If I haven't told you I also have pages of the Inspector General's report. Good reporters have missed much in it.

Or feared much.

Hope Je is getting along well and past most of the discomfort.

Best,