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Today I received the 10/31/72 update on the draft of the Patman report with a covering letter to the other members of his committee. It weighs 9 ozs unwrapped and is about 100 pp. long. Some of the xeroxes are very pale, but could be made darker by over-exposure in copying. The draft is undated and untitled. The last thing, without numbered pages, is a letter to Patman from the Comptroller General, dated 10/27/72. If it has significant content, I'll let you know when I get to reading it. HW 1/15/73

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I have not clipped copy from the Chronicle on the Howard Johnson shootout in New Orleans, even though it's across the street from the Rault bldg. However it now appears the cops are blaming the dead sniper for a polie shooting a week earlier, clips for which are attached and which you might find of some interest.

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When the S-I comes in ~~wi~~ for the period of the Howard Johnson shootout I'll probably save the clippings and send to you, but I don't expect the S-I to be very informative, by intent, anyway. We'll see.

Thanks. I would like to see, but not if too much trouble for you. Something the Post did not carry might influence S-I policy. Moon Landrieu statement on conspiracy. As I indicated but you did not get by 1/11, there was a radio report on the injury of a Sgt. O'Sullivan. That could interest much. Some of the reporters hold views not those of the editors. They sometimes get them into the paper. And somebody has been feeding Lardner and Austin Scott of the Post much stuff, including what could even exculpate Essex. I included the Post's reprinting of part of Sirgio's remarks in a speech in what I'm sending tonight. It backs up. HW 1/15/73

The Star-News that gets here is a very very early edition. I called abd had two saved for me to pick up tonight. No WG mention, nothing on WH announcement, so you know how early when both were early a.m. stories here. Sending VN stories from it, few other things that may or may not interest. Some back up. Tonight's TV news WG accounts make me more positive that Sirica is dressing the window only. The looks on the faces of Liddy, Mc Cord counsel of satisfaction, not fear HW 1/15/73

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From the version of the Anderson column in our local paper today it appears that the Wash Post did carry all of it. With it when I mailed it earlier tonight was a note in which I suggested there had been some cutting because the space occupied was less than it usually takes. However, he also has shorter items with his columns and if there was cutting, it could have been one of them. Looking forward to the a.m. papers and I suspect heavy coverage from what Bernstein said. HW 1/15/73

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