

JDW: Until there was a contract I had no need to let Bud know of the potential of this in his long series of insanities, the one with McDonald. Until there was a contract there was no fraud.

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Don't go to any trouble on this. If you know anything about Zacharias or his Zebra press it might be good to know. I'm told they are S.F.

Bud is simultaneously tied up with two contradictory sets of supposedly real confessions! Both have to be phoney but he is with both through his relations with both McDonald and Popkin. By now he must consider that Popkin is crazy.

There is no end to it. All this, save perhaps McDonald, is pouring in on the Church committee. McDonald says they can't wait for him to appear. And arming DJ. Popkin has seen to it personally.

In this case there are other complications that can't be avoided.

With the others I'm silent. The more they destroy themselves, which I can't prevent, the less harm they can do in the future.

There is, of course, also harm from them in the present.

I hope they all now take the hangout road and get it all over with, as best it can be all over with when the nuts are loose.

Best, HW 7/12/75

