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Dear Bill:

Hope everything is going as well as it can with you. Now that Kerry, et. al. buried the MIA issue under a 6 in thick incoherent report, there isn't much in the news anymore. The Washington Post did carry a story on Bush buying the photos; however, they had the amount wrong (enclosed). Most of the articles focus on convincing Clinton to lift the trade embargo on Vietnam and establish diplomatic relations. Al is pounding away on his story, focused mainly on the families. It will have some impact on the issue, but he is very limited on space.

I'm enclosing a book by Mark Sauter and Jim Sanders on POWs, mainly on the ones from WWII and Korea, touching a bit on Vietnam/Laos. Mark was working for the Seattle Herald Tribune and broke a number of stories on the POW/MIAs that rattled some cages here. He has quit now and is working full time on a second book, this one on the IndoChina POWs. They are shooting for a May deadline so they can keep the issue alive. They are also contracted to do a four hour TV miniseries on NBC on the issue. Frankly Bill, I think that the book and the TV miniseries is going to be the "Last Hurrah," and if this doesn't kindle enough support to keep the issue alive, Hanoi and Kerry win. I have taken the liberty to give them your home phone no., much to the chagrin of Al. I hope it's alright with you. They have shared a lot of their information with me, which confirms much of what you have said and shared. Therefore, I don't think that it's breaching confidentiality, and I trust these guys. The trick will be to protect sources, but they're good at that. One thing that is coming out is the lies, lies, lies that Kerry has told. Kerry shredded evidence. We now have names pinned to the white buffalo letter. There are names tied to the satellite photos. Kerry's charade over the K satellite photo will be exposed. And we're told they found an F-111 in Russia.

I'm also enclosing an article on Jacques Le Quay. Are you familiar with his report claiming to have been held in Laos with five American pilots. DOD/DIA and the CIA claim they never debriefed the guy. Can you shed any light on this? I'm also

enclosing some live sighting reports that someone have put names to. Anything to this? I'm also enclosing a copy of my latest two epistles. The one will be printed, and the one to the Wall Street Journal, who knows?

I'm sending a copy of my letter to Mark and Jim. I hope you don't mind. If they have any questions to ask, they will be contacting you directly.

Sincerely,

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