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THIS ENVELOPE CONTAINS TWO LETTERS DATED JANUARY 2, 1973, AND JANUARY 3, 1973, FROM TWO (2) ***** PERTAINING TO DEFENDANT #2 (HUNT). JUDGE SIRICA HAS ON JANUARY 9, 1973, DIRECTED UNDERSIGNED TO TREAT MATTERS AS CONFIDENTIAL & SEALED UNTIL FURTHER ORDER OF COURT.

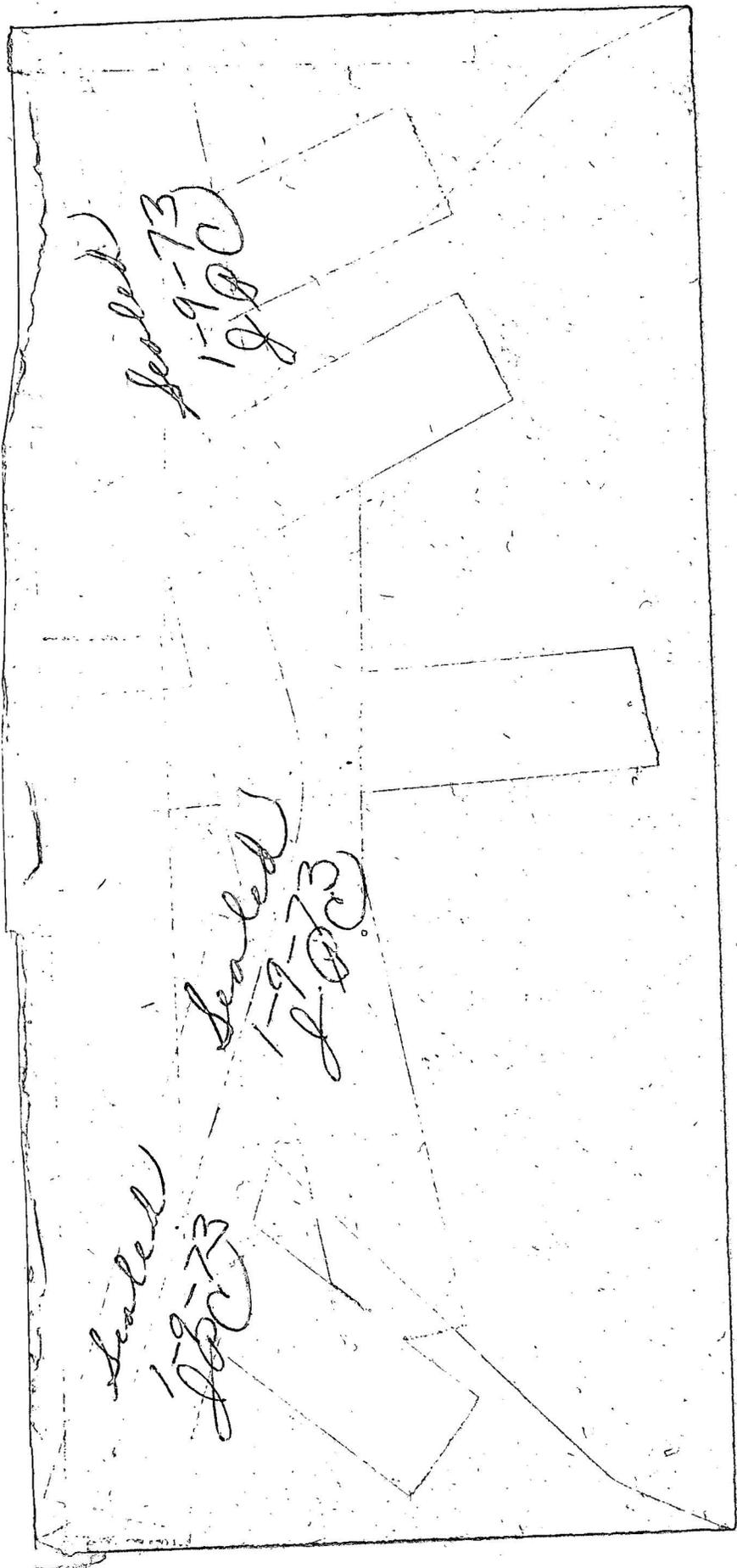
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January 3, 1973

Hon. John J. Sirica
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RE: E. HOWARD HUNT;

Your Honor:

Mr. Hunt has been in this area since 1966, and has been under the care of Dr. Buchanan since 1968.

He has had a "sour stomach" since 1955, and his first bleeding ulcer in 1959. At that time he had tarry stools, and one morning could not get out of bed. He has bled on one other occasion. Stomach problems occur sporadically, primarily when work "pushes him too hard".

At this time he is so numb that he is not sure of his health. He has resumed Probanthine to keep his gastritis down. He has taken Titralac regularly for some time, but it tends to constipate him, and he uses glycerine suppositories. This summer he started taking Librium, 10 mg., four times a day. He also takes Meprobamate, two tablets every night at bedtime, and may take another during the night.

Mr. Hunt was married in September, 1949. His wife was killed on December 8, 1972, at age 52.



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PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: Weight, 163½; temperature, 98.6°F; pulse, 92; blood pressure, 128/88.

The only significant finding was tenderness of the entire colon. The upper abdomen was only mildly tender in the area where one is usually tender in the presence of an active ulcer.

LABORATORY WORK: Routine Urinalysis: normal.
Complete Blood Count: hemoglobin, 15.0 gm.; hematocrit, 44.7; RBC, 5.13 million; WBC, 6.2 thousand; segs, 79%; lymphocytes, 20%; basophiles, 1%; BUN, 12 mg%; blood sugar, 93mg%; cholesterol, 218 mg%; uric acid, 4.7 mg%; protein bound iodine, 6.6 mcg%. All of these results are normal.

It is my opinion that the defedant has sufficient present ability to consult with his lawyer with a reasonable degree of rational understanding, and I am sure that Mr. Hunt has a rational as well as a factual understanding of the proceedings against him.

The stress of a trial may increase his symptoms due to peptic ulcer disease, but I do not believe that it will cause him too much stress in that area.

My only concern is that under the pressure of cross-examination he may not be able to maintain control of his emotions, and may break down and cry during the course of the trial, which would interfere with his presentation of his case in the best light. This is my only reservation about his ability to testify in Court.

Yours Truly,



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Dear Judge Sirica:

In accordance with your order, I examined E. Howard Hunt, Jr., on December 27, 1972.

I found Mr. Hunt to be alert, cooperative and well oriented. Although poised and for the most part calm, he appeared sad, dejected and tense. He answered all of my questions in a relevant, coherent and concise manner. Obviously a man of superior intelligence, he was readily able to give as well as to understand explanations whenever they were required during the course of the examination. He was also quite able to make critical appraisals of his own behavior. Although he cried while relating some of the details of the events which followed the recent death of his wife, he almost immediately regained his composure without significant interruption in the examination. He appeared able to direct his full attention to the long interview and I could not detect any impairment in his memory or in his ability to concentrate.

There is no doubt in my mind that Mr. Hunt is depressed. However, the severity of his depression must be regarded as mild since he has been able to maintain his nutrition and to obtain adequate sleep with relatively small doses of the minor tranquilizers, librium and meprobamate. I can find no indication for more drastic methods of treating his depression.

It is my opinion that Mr. Hunt has sufficient present ability to consult with his lawyer with a reasonable degree of rational understanding and has the mental capacity to understand the proceedings against him.

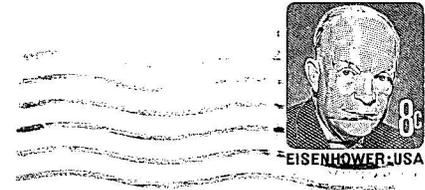
Sincerely yours,

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