

October 15, 1980

Mr. Deno Paoli
Deno Paoli Films
2029 Centure Park E. Suite 2050
Los Angeles, CA 90067

Dear Mr. Paoli:

My name is William Montgomery. I am the alleged kingpin and prime mover of the smuggling ring arrested September 10, 1980, with over \$40 million worth of marijuana at Pier 26 in San Francisco, four blocks from Market Street, directly under the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge.

At the time of the arrest the Federal Government alleged that I used former President Franklin D. Roosevelt's yacht, the Potomac, along with the 105 foot motor vessel, the Valkyure.

I am also the President of the alleged front organization, the Crippled Children's Society of America (a non-profit corporation).

The San Francisco Examiner reported on September 12, 1980, that a "narcotics agent or a confidential informant saw 4,000 pounds of cocaine, 400 tons of marijuana and \$11.5 million cash as part of the operation."

The same newspaper reported on September 18, 1980, that one Federal narcotics agent said, "If they are even close to the amount, this would dwarf operations like the French Connection (the celebrated heroin smuggling operation popularized by the film of the same name) or anything else."

The San Francisco Examiner also reported on September 18, 1980, the "narcotics task force that raided two ships at Pier 26 had already let slip by 96 pounds of high-grade cocaine valued at \$2.2 million." Further, "The next port for the vessel was Costa Rica, where a source said the guns were traded for 42 kilos of cocaine."

On September 13, 1980, the San Francisco Chronicle reported on the front page that one of the suspected kingpins of the smuggling ring, for whom U.S. Magistrate, Richard Goldsmith, refused to lower a one million dollar bail, was William Montgomery. Federal officials described him as a "prime mover."

It is true there is little I have not done in the past 51 years, except be in jail.... THERE ARE NO SMART MEN IN JAIL!

I am referred to as a winner and a true survivor to the extent that I have even been shot nine times. I am sure I can survive anything further dealt me in my remaining life, but I now wish to retire from my world of action and travels.

In my retirement, I wish to write a book and produce a number of film scripts beginning with "Pier 26", "THE RAID THAT SHAKES THE DOPE WORLD", where 640,000 one-ounce lids or 25.6 million joints were busted.

The Federal Court in San Diego has reduced my bail to \$200,000, and I am now in a position to offer you an incredible business opportunity.

I need for many reasons a second party, really a partner, who can envision the book and film scripts I can produce from my personal experience and knowledge.

With the proper type of partnership established, I will produce with your assistance the following:

1. "Pier 26" - a film script described above.
2. "Colombian Sea Drop" - a script about an operation smuggling 50,400 pounds of marijuana per trip.
3. "Colombian Air Drop" - a script about transporting 4,400 pounds of high-grade cocaine through the use of military parachute tactics.
4. "Colombian Drogue Transfer" - a script about a most ingenious method of smuggling hundreds of pounds of liquified cocaine through a drogue funnel.

These titles refer only to the types of operations. Most significant is my knowledge turned into an exceptional film property.

Your contribution to this business would be the following:

1. My bail, \$20,000 cash and a signature with any bondsman.
2. Legal defense funds, \$100,000; \$30,000 now and \$10,000 per month.
3. An office with a secretary and a writer to assist in production.
4. Allow me to show employment by making a monthly draw for one year. This draw and all other expenses will be shared from our profits.

I assure you I have only 12 months before I know my destiny regarding alleged charges against me. I must have the book and scripts completed within the next 12 months.

To verify the above facts and my abilities, I will be pleased to discuss details with you or your legal representative. You can contact me by writing directly to:

William Montgomery
Bureau of Federal Prisons
Metropolitan Correctional Center
Ninth Floor
808 Union Street
San Diego, California 92101

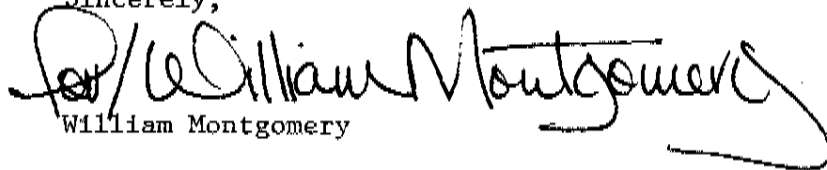
If you will include your telephone number and a specific time when you can be reached, I can arrange to call you from prison, but only station to station, collect.

You can also send any attorney to this facility to meet me in person.

Your earnest consideration and immediate response will be appreciated.

Thank you, I remain,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "for William Montgomery". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

William Montgomery

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