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Dear Dr. Blanchard:

Just wanted to let you know I'm still alive and kicking, and to update you on my latest activities regarding recognition of the female-to-gay male.

I went to Reno last week and met with Dr. Ira Pauly again. He videotaped an interview with me last year, and will show the videotape at the Annual Mtg of the American Psychiatric Assn in May, entitled "Female-to-Gay Male Transsexualism." We also made another videotape, as a one-year update to the first one.

Dr. Eli Coleman told me that his case study on me would be published before the end of 1988 in his Journal of Psychology & Human Sexuality, entitled "Heterosexual Prior to Sex Reassignment - Homosexual Afterwards: A Case Study of a Female-to-Male Transsexual." I met with Dr. Coleman in September '88 at the Annual Mtg of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sex, and he also videotaped an interview with me. It seems both Pauly and Coleman have plans to discuss the female-to-gay male at the next Harry Benjamin Symposium in Cleveland.

The Advocate (a well-known nationally-distributed gay magazine) has commissioned me to do an article for them on the female-to-gay male transsexual, due Feb. 15. They also want a second article from me on FTM's from the historical past.

In your last letter you mentioned that you believe there is no copy of Hirschfeld's Die Transvestiten in Canada. I see that a first edition copy (Item #2555) is being offered for \$320 in the latest catalog of Elysian Fields Booksellers, 80-50 Baxter Ave, Suite 339, Elmhurst NY 11373. What a treasure! I hope someone who will appreciate it can afford it. What a shame it's never been translated into English.

I'm sorry it's taken me over a year to answer your letter, requesting clarification on my letter of Nov. 1, 1987, but here goes:

I do not believe Jim was transvestic or gay. I was involved with the transvestite peer support group on my own - he never became involved and disliked my involvement in the group. He saw it as threatening because it encouraged my transgender leanings. As I

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said, he liked to "play" and "pretend" in the crossgender world, but didn't want me to get too serious about it. Both of my long-term lovers, Jim and Tom, described themselves as bisexual. Tom was especially interested and turned on by the "she-male" porno magazines. He did experiment with make-up and feminine clothing, but only in private during sex. The last two years that I lived with Tom, he was dating a woman on the side, and he is living with her now.

To clarify my description of my genital surgery: I did not have a "phalloplasty." I underwent what is being called "genitoplasty," in which the enlarged clitoris only is utilized as the small penis. That's why I called my phallus a "micropenis."

Have I so far just watched at the "jack off club"? No, I have masturbated there while watching others "jack off." In the name of "safe sex," that's all one is allowed to do there.

I hope this answers your questions. I'd be most interested to hear from you again on the latest developments regarding the female-to-gay male.

Regards,

Louis G. Sullivan

P.S. I am enclosing the latest issue of FTM, which I put out single-handedly every 3 months.