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Dear Sylvia,

How good it is to hear from you on this gloomy pre-New Years day that I always (always) detest and am depressed by: how I trusted on you to write just the sort of letter you did write, so all my thanks, my love, and all best personal wishes for the new year: personal even more because history looks so horrible now. Friendships human beings count more.

Yes, I had guessed that Joachim was about what you say, and was curious to see your review there: if you write him, see if you can prevail on him to send me a free copy too.. My last review written for Arnoni on the ACLU Purge trial in the 40s is coming out next Monthly Review, if you are interested. Before he left, Menachem said he was going to destroy his files of Minority: I prevailed upon him to send them to Boston U, where my stuff is, where I still hope to get

pps/ your evaluation of JJoesten is so
brilliant, so right, & so entertaining--
a new strain or more obvious in your
writing than I thought much earlier; I
suspect you are a brilliant wit in deadpan.

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your papers (and other Warren report documents)--but my question now is should there be say a ten year limit before this material is available in terms of personal documents? I have no idea what is in these files, have suggested 10 years to Howard Gotlieb my great curator up there who was delighted to get these files: on the other hand, a shame they cant be available now say to selected persons? Do tell me what you think? Or available to selcted people in 5 years, maybe?

Dear Sylvia, when you are ready, let me know & Boston U will take very good care of your documents, which should be taken care of, I think...They would always be available to you: how about becoming their Warren Expert as I have told Gotlieb you are? Dear Sylvia, like orphans of the Minority, we'd better cling to each other all the more, I feel this loss in so many ways. Let me know If I can be of help.

*Happy New Year!
Ayherl - Best, Max*

ps You know I am really scared to mention what I do think ~~Rxxx~~ was Paul's generous offer to Arnoni after what has transpired; he will suspect that Paul is taking over the Minority in a final "victory," whereas Paul was so decent about its demise...No, Paul won't write; perhaps better not to mention this? I wont, after what Arnoni wrote to me! the villain! the satan! the paranoid darling....

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