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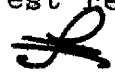
Dear Sylvia,

Please forgive the delays in responding to your welcomed communications, but my entire life has been wholly upended by the decision to foresake the sordid streets, black air, and muderous population of Gotham. Personal and domestic, professional and other business, matters, combined with the enormous physical effort such a change demands have left me much depleted across the board. However, among the few ties I wish to retain with the city in which I spent so many, many years is with you.

For the cited reasons, I did not have an opportunity to contact Gray for a re-reaffirmation of the RFK letter. He assured me originally, and verified that assurance later that what is reproduced is exactly what he received. Both because I have known Gray for many years and do not believe he would sabotage what he knew to be a serious work of many years and great expenditure of energy and because he is not a feolish man who would expose himself to what could be easily contested if thought to be questionable, I am still prepared to believe that he received it and made it available to me in good faith. Now, whether someone in RFK's office was attempting to place the boss in a light of absurdity, I cannot say, although it all seems a bit too extravagant a plot for so improbable a reward. Nonetheless, I will continue to press Gray for any additional knowledge he might have regarding the latter and will forward any additional information to you.

Hope you have had wonderful holidays and anticipate a premium year. Naturally, I will be in touch.

Sincerest regards,


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PS: Please regard my address as wholly confidential; no exceptions. Merel.