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My dear friends

This letter is addressed to all of you who expressed confidence in me in the difficulties I found myself facing because of my testimony before the McCarran Committee last Fall.

My appeal against my dismissal by the Secretary-General was won in a forthright decision by the Administrative Tribunal. However the new Secretary-General, exercising his administrative prerogative, refused that reinstatement and asked the Tribunal to fix damages. His decision was made, it can be deduced, to stave off the wrath of the Congressional committees.

The hope now is that when in the near future the General Assembly considers personnel policies the issue will be made so clear as to bring about the defeat of those in our country who are seeking to discredit the United Nations through these baseless attacks on the loyalty of American citizens in its employ.

May I once more express to you my deep appreciation for your sustaining loyalty. I am sure my thanks are the thanks of all the other American men and women who are today under attack for their dissenting opinions.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth

I am so glad you called. You are to be congratulated for your stand. If all had done so we would all be safer and happier now. I hope to see you soon.