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Dear Bud,

From your earlier letter I believe that you had already left to explore and by this time had perhaps tasted the delicacies of the east, like rancid yak butter.

As you know, you are welcome to copies of anything I have for your AARC.

I hope you will not be leaving before you can try to exercise some influence on the pending FOIA amendment, which will assure that, among other evils, all records relating to its dirtyworks, past, present and future, will forever be immune, and that this will certainly encourage even greater domestic excesses. About which the Congress ought worry a little on a personal level.

When I mail this this evening I'll have a copy of an affidavit in the mail for Jim, re the Motion for Clarification in the Hoch suit. You may find it interesting and with effective use it can show how the CIA requires so much time and wastes so much money in litigation. To assert Exemptions 1,3 and 5 for the Anderson column and what it had already disclosed. It also illustrates the kinds of things they withhold under "national security" claims, something we do not often have a chance to expose.

On each and every prior occasion of which I know, especially my own litigation, this is the way it was. In one they continued to withhold after I filed copies of the public domain versions of what they were withholding, all confirmed when they finally had to disclose. The day they appeals brief was due!

Come back without camel-riders sore!

Best wishes,

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Dear Harold:

Just a note to acknowledge your letter of the 18th.

I certainly did not mean to imply that the new AARC will contain all of the valuable collections of assassination materials. I was aware that your most valuable collection would go to Wisconsin. However, the more material that we can collect and make available to future scholars in a convenient location is the goal of the AARC.

I shall be looking forward to seeing you some time after Thanksgiving. Meanwhile, please try to keep well and give my warmest regards to Lil.

Sincerely,



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