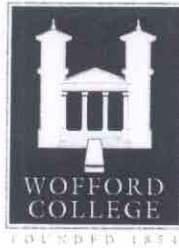


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February 5, 2001

Dear Harold,

I am sorry it has been months since I last wrote. We've been dealing with a lot of family problems, most revolving around Claire who not only decided not to go on to college after graduating high school but has not had a steady job and is hanging out with a disreputable crowd. Things came to a head at home and we kicked her out. For the past two months she has been living at one of her friends house. We have maintained contact and are encouraging her to apply for school, but we are not going to let her come back home unless she agrees to certain conditions.

Additionally, Manh-Trang's job situation has been frustrating and she has been distracted a lot by dealing with Claire. So, she began applying for positions in California and landed one at Miller's Children Hospital in Long Beach, CA, which is about 10 miles from where most of her family now lives. She will start this job in April. I will drive her out there and leave one of our cars with her. For the foreseeable future we will be living about 2400 miles apart. My son Nick likes it in California and may go to college out there in another 3 years. My position at Wofford is pretty secure, but if something comes up out there we may all move out there. This decision has not been easy for any of us, and we are still a bit uncertain about doing it.

Bill Neichter has been in touch. He sent me a copy of the cassette tape of his appearance on the Joe Arnold Show, the one that Specter was also on. I've seen Specter's new book, A Passion for Truth (sic.). Just skimming through the chapters on the Warren Commission, it appears to be the same old song and dance and excuses, not to mention falsehoods and omissions.

This past January I did another seminar on the Ray evidentiary hearing. One new thing I did is to have the students read most of it out loud. During January I also had the privilege to meet Rev. Bernice King, Dr. King's youngest daughter (she was 4 when he died). She is quite a speaker in her own right. Unfortunately, I barely had 3 minutes to speak with her there were so many other people who wanted to meet her.

I am also enclosing a recent op-ed commentary by Khrushchev's son which confirms your analysis of the Cuba Missile Crisis. There is a new film out on that. I have not had a chance to see it.

Take care and give our warm regards to Lillian.

Best,