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Mr. Pierre Salinger
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Dear Mr. Scavenger:

My salutation in the letter to which you are not man enough to respond was not familiar but derisive. I apologize for overestimating your sensitivity. I am content to leave the record what you leave it: You are not plucky, you are a sneak and a coward; you are neither an honorable man nor an honorable writer.

Yet you disappoint me. I would have thought your experience in giving Mrs. Kennedy advice, in recommending William Manchester, would have taught you the quality of your judgment outside your flackery, at which you are competent. Or do you still not comprehend the magnitude of the scandal and disaster you wrought?

My challenge still stands, as it will. And it will be ignored, by you as by Roberts and Merriman Smith. I do not believe the prospects of a confrontation are improved by an offer to take on the three of you at one time, each on his own writing, but you have it.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg