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Mr. Peter R. Rosenblatt Suite 401 2135 Wisconsin Avenue Washington, D.C. 20007

Dear Peter:

Thanks for copies of your exchange with Newsweek. I suspect that it is impossible to get a straight reply from their editors because they now seem to fear legal action. Certainly Ms. Edmondson's letter appeared more focussed on apologizing for Newsweek's intentions than it did on the substance of the article.

The response I received from Katharine Graham was somewhat more encouraging and I enclose a copy for your information.

Hope to lunch with you soon in Washington.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

John D. Negroponte Ambassador

Enclosure: As stated.

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