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Milan, February 21st, 1961

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My dear Leo,

Just to tell you once again how glad I have been to spent a few days with you, especially at Villa deati, where we had the chance to chat and discuss quitly.

The translation of you book is nearly finished and I think it will be possible to publish it in the near future. Yesterday we received a few pages of corrections from Simon and Schuster, which naturally will be taken into consideration.

Obviously I want to give the Italian edition of THE VOICE OF THE DOLPHINS a big start and I am sure that for this purpose it would be of great help if we could publish in some of the most important Italian weekly papers a sort of biography on the style "SZILARD SEEN BY SZILARD".

What do you think about this and what is the most important would you be prepared to write it for me?

There is also another thing connected with this publicity: may be the paper would like to interview you - a written interview of course - by submitting you some questionnaire. But I think that an interview elaborated entirely by yourself "SZILARD INTERVIEWING SZILARD" would be much better and much more interesting, much more hitting the mark.

You really would do me a great personal favour by considering these suggestions positively. Naturally both presentations do not need to be long, their poignancy will just the same be most effectful.

We still did not made up our mind regarding our trip to America, but if we shall fly over to the States we certainly will arrange a meeting with you.

With all my very best wishes to you and Trude,

Yours ever

Inge + Giorgio

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Dear Trude + Leo,

this is just to tell you ~~you~~ that we're coming around April 15th to N.Y. - Are you still in Washington? - Giorgio wants to go to Washington largely and see people who are "his cup of tea" and would love to discuss things there. Could Leo give him some introductions?

At the 25th we had a great inauguration of the new home of the Institute, great success!

Hope you're both well, and be in great form?

Lots of love,
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April 6, 1961

Mrs. Inge Feltrinelli
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Dear Inge:

I have your note saying that you expect to come around April 15th to New York. I expect to stay in Washington through April and May, except that around April 28th I may have to spend one or two days in New York.

If you should come to Washington, it would be a pleasure to see you. I was thinking whom it might be worthwhile for Giangiacomo to meet here among the people who are not inside the government. Those inside the government are, at present, not in usable shape. They work twelve hours a day and are unable to think of anything except the business at hand. Someone said to me the other day, "I don't know which is worse, an Administration that suffers from somnolence or an Administration that suffers from lack of sleep." I know quite a number of those on the inside and I do occasionally have dinner or lunch with one or another, but only if I have some concrete business to transact.

Among the people who are on the outside, you and Giangiacomo might perhaps be interested to meet:

a) Drew Pearson, a syndicated columnist who has been on the Washington scene for more than fifteen years and who is both a man of good will and knowledgeable.

b) Benjamin V. Cohen. He and Corcoran wrote most of the bills during the New Deal under Roosevelt. He has lived in Washington ever since that time and is a keen observer of what is going on.

c) Michael Straight, formerly publisher of the New Republic, who has lived in Washington since the end of the last war. He has inherited his mother's wealth and liberal attitudes (she was a Whitney of the Morgan Whitney's) and is both intelligent and charming.

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d) Dr. Robert B. Livingston, a personal friend who was, until recently, Scientific Director of the National Institute of Mental Health. Both he and his wife are enjoyable and refreshing.

As you see, none of these are "important" people, but you might like to meet them, and I should be able to deliver them on short notice.

If you should actually come and have no overweight, could you possibly bring me one pound of Prosciutto di Parma of the mildest variety? It seems impossible to get the stuff in this capital. Also, if by any chance you should visit Switzerland between the receipt of this letter and your trip to America, I wondered whether you could bring, say six, little tubes of a Swiss medicine called Treupel. If you don't go to Switzerland, please don't go to any trouble to get it because I can get essentially the same thing here in a just slightly less convenient form.

I do hope to see you both either in Washington or in New York.

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard

April 6, 1961

Giangiaco­mo Feltrinelli, Editore
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Dear Giangiacomo,

Your letter of February 21st was forwarded to me in Washington. I expect to stay here throughout April and May, except for a short trip to New York around April 28th.

Regarding the book, there is a one-page story called "Katy and the Bear", which I have written and which you may or may not want to include in the book. If you want to include it, please feel free to do so. I shall ask Simon and Schuster to send you a copy.

Concerning your question about an interview in the form of "SZILARD INTERVIEWING SZILARD", I don't feel any great impulse to write such stuff at present. Of course, I have no objection to an interview. Perhaps someone connected with your organization in New York -- Frischauer, possibly, -- could interview me and transmit the result to Italy. Also, I have no objection to being interviewed by a paper. I would suggest, in this regard, that they submit a rather large number of questions and I would then eliminate the questions to which it is impossible to give an answer that is of interest.

I had a note from Inge saying that you might probably get to New York around April 15th, and have written her to say that I hope to see you either in Washington or in New York -- preferably Washington.

With kindest regards,

Yours,

Leo Szilard

4 April 1962

Giangiaco­mo Feltrinelli
6 Via Audergari
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Dear Giangiaco­mo:

Attached to this letter you will find a story that you might want to include if there is another edition of my book. I have struck the passages which must be omitted if the story is to be included in the book. The story should be inserted ahead of "The Mark Gable Foundation".

The story proved to be quite a success in America and it was reprinted by the Washington Post and a few other daily papers.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard

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4 April 1962

Giangiaco^mo Feltrinelli
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Dear Giangiaco^mo:

It was a great pleasure for us to hear about the baby.

Congratulations.

The attached preprint from the Bulletin will tell you what I am up to. The response I am receiving is overwhelming and the press reaction is overwhelmingly favorable. I am somewhat at a loss to explain the latter.

Let me have your reaction when your time permits.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Leo Szilard

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M. 10.5.61

Dear Trade + Leo,

Just we're, exhausted and mountains of work waiting to be done, G.G. is at his 16 hour^a day - schedule again, I see him seldom now!

Did Henry Brandon of the "Sunday Times" call you?

The women are all over the house, the office, everywhere, - we have trouble - the office with all kinds of intrigues etc., - in short: not a very good home-coming.

Thanks a million for everything, in a hurry, -

Love
me

77, 7 letters got already, mind more than expected, it was too hot to sit outside!

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