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Dear Joshua:

Getting paid for working for the US Government seems to be more complicated than any other part of the job. I understand that our Executive Office is sending you a request for the information which they need to make out your travel voucher and pay your per diem, but in addition we need a record of the amount of time you spent on the job in order to pay your consultant fee. The enclosed forms are for this latter purpose. My understanding is that consultants are paid for the precise number of hours they spent performing whatever service they were engaged to perform, and I leave it entirely to you to decide when you were "working" on this assignment and when you were not. The time of your consultantation commences with your being sworn in. If you will fill out the forms and send them back, we will carry on from there.

Your occasional notes and comments have been interesting to me and I have sent them on to Jim Leonard. I had read I. F. Stone's article you referred to and had the impression that, while much of what he said was factually accurate, the selection of facts and interpretation put on them (as in the example you mentioned) gave a pretty warped impression in the end. Unfortunately, this is not rare in the New York Review. I thoroughly agree with your conclusion that it is important to explain our policies in great detail even if it requires a supporting educational process at the same time.

We have the impression, I think, from SALT that the level of Soviet sophistication in "the higher calculus of deterrence" is well advanced, and I am not at all certain that Kutnetsov was as innocent of it as Stone asserts.

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* Schlesinger (correctly quoted) re ^{Rostov's missions} ~~the~~ ~~missions~~ with Wiener.

I would not have bothered you about such an attribution from Stone.

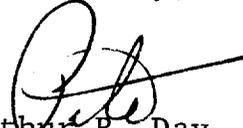
Stone, of course, does not really understand the calculus himself or simply disagrees with it.

As you may have heard, things went quite well at the Mexico City Conference. I understand that Dr. Luria did a first-rate job of explaining the desirability of focusing on BW prohibitions and of discouraging the anticipated Soviet efforts to get endorsement of a joint CW-BW approach. I imagine that your efforts contributed to this in no small measure.

We look forward to hearing from you from time to time. If there are substantive points we can help with or administrative details in connection with your recent trip, please write us.

With best personal regards.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

*Joshua - Ken Yelowitz
has sent off to you
the papers on the
submission of the
Protocol to the Secret.
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