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Herewith a longish piece on arms control. My pieces have been getting longer, but they have also been on bigger subjects. I promise to retrench in future.

Of course, my first wish is that you take this intact, and I send it this early to give you the most time to piece it in.

I have also marked the sections that could be extracted, and still do the least violence to the main themes of the piece. I think they all have something interesting to say, and they are important for continuity; but if much has to be taken out, I suggest you follow the lines of copy C. But would you then also use some typographical mark, like

to indicate the breaks. Maybe even also a title like "exceppts from a scientist's note-book."

The article does not follow certain contemporary mythologies about arms control -- e.g. "OVERKILL" -- and is quite critical of others; but it is a soft sell.

Do call me before overkilling the article.

John.