Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your long and interesting letter of Feb. 25, and for the Baconian cipher, which I appreciated very much. We were distressed to hear that Barbara's difficulties have not yet been solved, and we can only pray that this shall not take too much more time. We were very happy to note your tentative acceptance, which we hope can soon be noted as definite. Will you please, when the day arrives let me know the following:

1/ On which day would you arrive? Hotel reservations are rather difficult in the summer in Stockholm, and should be made as early as possible, 2/ Do you want me to arrange for the air tickets, or could you do this yourself, and then let me know how much the bill is?

I hope that it will not disturb you to hear that the party on the 2nd of July will be a rather big one, at the Grand Hotel in Stockholm. But there will after that be another party in Sundsvik, for the family, and for those of our friends, who come from abroad, — with Elizabeth and yourself first of all.

We have been back from Menton nearly a week now. It was sunny but cool there, and I did not get rid of my rather tedious cold while there, so am now treating it on doctors orders.

From the Crypto front only good news, plenty of business, and our new machine progresses well. You will get details about it when we meet.

Now please let me hear soon again how everything progresses, and in the meantime, Agnie and myself send you both our affectionate regards! Sincerely

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