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Mr. William F. Friedman Special Consultant National Security Agency Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Billy,

I trust that your Selfridge merchandise has arrived by now and in good condition. It was virtually impossible to try and fix responsibility at Selfridge's for the foul-up although Pete made a determined effort.

An investigation into the travel debacle reveals that the Government was not billed for a first class ticket but for a tourist class ticket even though the T/R specified first class. The Government was actually billed for £27.17.0 and a first class ticket would have been an additional £3.10.0 or about \$9.80 at the current rate of exchange. The policy of the transportation people here is to furnish tourist class tickets unless special arrangements are made. I have been told, however, that you are entitled to submit a claim for the difference between the first class and tourist fare which you paid out of your own pocket and which would be \$9.80 or just a little less than the \$10.00 you paid. I suggest that you do this. The tickets, etc. you left with me are attached. If you need a statement, please advise me what is required and I'll try to fix it up.

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showed up unexpectedly yesterday morning 24 hours ahead of
schedule. I had a pleasant discussion with him and took him to lunch at
the "In and Out" Club. I was very favorably impressed by although
I must confess to having grave misgivings about his plan to try and get
assigned to Princeton and to work partly with NSA. That a member
of our Director's board should attempt to seduce the most qualified mathe-
matician employed by GCHQ away from GCHQ could have unfortunate repercussions.
I suggest that you explain the situation to our Director so that he will
not be caught off base if Eric Jones mentions it when General Canine visits
here later this fall.

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My cousin and her husband, a U.S. Marine Corps Major attending Royal Marine Schools over here, with their three children are now living at our house, having docked at Southampton Saturday. Your delightful gift to our children is now being enjoyed by seven and we all wish to thank you for it again. Our two French girls returned from Paris a week ago today and it is a great relief to Dorothy to have somebody back in the house to take care of things.

I am writing to the Director suggesting that he might be interested in having his portrait painted by Mr. Jowsey while visiting this fall. I will mention to him that you are familiar with Jowsey's work so if he asks you about it please do not be surprised.

Dorothy joins me in sending warmest regards to you and Mrs. Friedman.

Sincerely yours,

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