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Dear Mr. Friedman,

I have tried to use exclusively public domain material in this article. Initially, after I had an idea of a way to do the article, I wrote it using facts which I thought were common knowledge. How deceptive one's experiences are. After I had a draft of the article completed, in mid January, Kay Noxtine told me that you had gone off to Yucutan, and I thought, "Aha! Here is a good time to check my references."

Six fat books later, I felt like I had trudged through a jungle of Red espionage techniques and history, in order to pluck a few orchids of comint references. There are reams of material published on agent methods used in World War II and later, but it is very hard to find any up to date information on cryptanalytic techniques or successes.

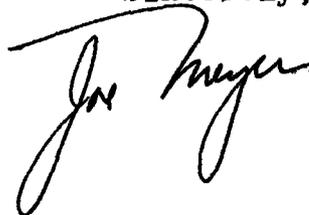
Well, I could do more work, but I thought it would be best for you to take a look at the article and see if it's at all in line with what you wanted, before doing more pick and shovel work. I am sending you the original and one carbon, the second carbon I am keeping here. This way, a shuttle copy can be modified and mailed back and forth without either of us being completely separated from the text.

I must apologize for the delay in completing this footnoting, after having the article nearly finished in January, but the EFFIGY project, which is my reason for being here, blossomed at the start of February, and my life has hardly been my own since.

I have marked the ~~xxx~~ envelope containing the article CONFIDENTIAL, but I hope that the article itself will prove to be unclassified.

It's not finished, but I hope it's a passable draft.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joe Meyer". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".