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Dear Vince:

It has been several weeks since my last telephone call, but I trust this letter finds you in good health and enjoying the fall foliage. As always, the Valley is beautiful this time of year.

As I told you on the telephone, we are attempting to locate several items which were assigned accession numbers and indexed by Colonel and Mrs. Friedman, but do not seem to be in the collection. We will send you more specific information when it is available.

In the meantime, I want to put in motion a request that NSA consider placing a copy of the diary Colonel Friedman wrote during his trip to Europe in 1945 in the Marshall Library. This diary provides important documentation about Colonel Friedman and it would be a very valuable source for researchers who use the collection.

It is my understanding that Ronald Clark, Friedman biographer, received a copy of portions of the diary from NSA. Since the Marshall Library is the depository for Colonel Friedman's papers, hopefully, there would be no objection to our receiving a copy as well. Because several years have transpired since Clark was granted access to parts of the diary perhaps additional pages, if not the entire manuscript, can now be opened to scholars. Therefore, I ask that a complete review of the diary be made to determine if this is possible.

The Marshall Library is most willing to cooperate with NSA in order to expedite the receipt of this diary. Your assistance in seeing that this request is handled in the appropriate manner is most appreciated.

Our staff joins me in best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Anthony R. Crawford
Archivist

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