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Dear Bud:

Many thanks for your good letter and its kind words. I am glad you enjoyed the meeting with Charlie Bluhdorn and can assure you that he did also, as did both Larry Levinson and myself. It was a most interesting session and accomplished what I had hoped it would, especially in your getting to know each other.

As you and I later discussed, I see in this an unusual opportunity---perhaps even an historic one--- for private enterprise and individuals to strengthen the security of a small, but strategic, friendly nation. It's a unique situation really, made possible through the personal relationships each of you have with key DomRep authorities. It's also one in which neither State nor Defense are likely to have much constructive interest until the problem reaches crisis proportions--- if then.

I too enjoyed our getting together and the chance to get re-acquainted. The service you are continuing to perform through your many contacts, your speaking and the book you are writing are all tremendously important in helping to alert enough of the right people to the surrender that will eventually come about if we continue to view self-deception and creeping paralysis through rose colored glasses. And there is no one who can do this better and more effectively than you.

All the best to you, Bud, and good luck in all the worthwhile things you are doing. I look forward to seeing you again soon.

Sincerely,

Dave

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