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*There are always in the world a few inspired men
whose acquaintance is beyond price.*

— Plato

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Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

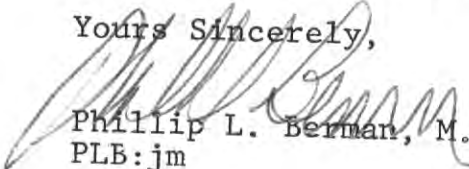
Thank you for your letter of 9 February and for your essay. Unfortunately, we are unable to use your contribution in its present form. For while you do state much of your personal philosophy in your address, you do not (in the specific terms we wish) treat the subject of how you feel you have been able to implement your beliefs in daily life.

I do think there is room in an essay such as the one we are asking for for you to use small sections from your address to outline your beliefs. However, we are looking for fresh material that has been composed specifically for this book; material outlined and composed with our essay guidelines in mind. I realize, of course, that what we are asking for is great; such an assignment requires a tremendous amount of time and thought.

I think you will be pleased to learn that BELIEF IN ACTION is moving on tremendously well. All of the essays we have so far received are excellent, and Walter Cronkite is seriously considering introducing this book to the public by composing its foreword. For your interest, I enclose two as yet unedited essays composed for BELIEF IN ACTION. Looking over these should give you a better idea of the type of work we are looking for.

I do hope you will take the time to compose an essay for this book. Feel free to take until April 1984 to do so. In the event that this is not possible, please send me a letter to that effect as soon as you can.

Yours Sincerely,


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