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AIRMAIL

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Dear Alan,

I hope I may use your Christian name. I remember the nice talk we had when you came to our office and flat in St. James's Place over a year ago now. I remember we talked about the Roy Campbell and asked whether there would be any chance of our publishing a paperback edition in Fontana. I wonder what the position is with that book now.

Yes, it seems a long time since I wrote to you in 1967. I am afraid we cannot think of anyone suitable in South Africa who could come and read your book on Clayton. I am a little worried as to whether this is one we could do in this country but of course without reading it is impossible to tell. I only wish I could be more helpful about this but I really don't know what else I can say.

I may be out in South Africa myself later next year, but I fear not before then.

Yours ever,

William Collins

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