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Dear Trevor,

I am afraid that I never received your typewritten pages sent on September 30th. This worries me, because I was under the impression that my mail is now left alone. It is just possible of course, that you had your name on the envelope, but I notice that it does not appear on the back of your letter. Thank you very much for sending me another copy.

I am going to write to Marion Friedmann and ask her to get me a copy of the article from "The Observer". I have been through Hensard from 1948 to 1957, and I must say you figure very prominently in it. You give two reasons for the possibility that Geoffrey might have had something to do with your recall, one was that he felt that you were too heavily involved for your own spiritual health, and the other that he cared in case you should be arrested. I am sure that there was a third reason, and that is that you were rocking his boat. Lastly you talk about a love-hate relationship, which of course I understand very well, but it does seem to me that the word hate is too strong. In the first place you are not really given to hating and in the second place if you were at all like myself you would have found it impossible to hate Geoffrey. One might be very angry with him, as I was on one or two occasions when he squashed me, but I certainly did not hate him because of that.

You will no doubt be astonished to hear that the University of Edinburgh is going to make me a D.D. on November 27th. I think that definitely puts me one up in the competition. What a stir "Nought For Your Comfort" caused in parliament: I was also mentioned, but I think that you outnumbered me by about ten to one. However this D.D. has definitely put me ahead.

Yours ever,