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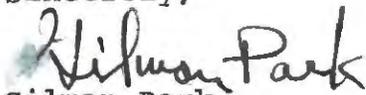
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Dear Professor Callan:

Having studied your advance materials for THE LONG VIEW, we wish to reaffirm our interest. With all due respect to Scribners, we think we are better suited than they to do justice to a work of this kind, and we hope that Mr. Paton will view the matter as you do.

Your proposals for the content and structure of the book seem eminently sensible. Its value, of course, would be greatly enhanced by an Introduction from Mr. Paton, particularly if this were to incorporate brief accounts of the Liberal Party and of CONTACT and THE LONG VIEW. In this case, the Editor's Preface could be minimized. We would favor a separate, more extensive biographical sketch rather than the combination of a brief sketch plus chronology. Our sole reservation at this point concerns the length of the bibliography. We think this is not really the proper vehicle for a comprehensive, annotated bibliography. (Would it not more logically fit your study for Twayne?) We would prefer a shorter listing, primarily ~~social~~ social and philosophical writings. But perhaps we may withhold final judgment until you can provide estimates of lengths of the various possible listings.

As for your qualifications, we already are more than satisfied that the work is in excellent hands. At some point, of course, we will require a curriculum vitae for use by our promotion people. I suppose there is not much else we can say until you hear from Mr. Paton. We will fret a bit in the waiting, but we are confident you are handling the matter in the best possible fashion.

Sincerely,  
  
Gilman Park  
Managing Editor