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Hon. Richard M. Nixon Senate Office Building Washington, D. C.

When you come to Louisville the end of this week to address the Lincoln Club it would give Mrs Bullitt and myself a great deal of pleasure if you would stay with us while you are in Louisville and if possible dine with us Saturday night February tenth when we are giving a dinner party at our house in honor of Mr Tilford the newly elected President of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company at which you would meet a few of the leading finandial business men in Louisville. We could make you I am sure just as comfortable at our house with a limousine and chauffeur at your disposal as if you stayed in the Brown Hotel which will undoubtedly be quite crowded for your speech on Friday night and you can make yourself just as free for everything that you have to do as if you were at the Hotel. I have not forgotten our correspondence over the Hiss case more than a year ago and it would be very interesting to exchange some views on that matter and its subsequent developments.

WM. MARSHALL BULLITT

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### February 5, 1951

PERSONAL

Charles Elmore Cropley, Esq., Clerk, Supreme Court of the United States, Washington, D. C.,

Dear Elmore:

Now that Hiss has filed a Petition for Certiorari, I wonder if it is possible after the certiorari is denied (or granted, which I imagine is rather doubtful), I could manage to inherit a set of the ten printed volumes of the Record. It may be difficult for you to get a spare set if the certiorari is denied, but at any rate I have put in my application, and maybe you can get it for me.

You may not know that I had a good deal to do about the Hiss case; and, except the Government, I was the first to take the stand that Hiss was guilty. I enclose you a copy of the first thing that was ever written dealing with the credibility of Hiss and Chambers; and the District Attorney made it largely the basis of his cross examination of Hiss in both trials, when it came to the credibility of Hiss and Chambers. I wrote it before anything was known about Hiss taking the secret documents and giving them to Chambers.

At any rate, I am sure you can send me a copy of Hiss' Petition for Certiorari and the Government's Response. Cropley #2

How are your daughter and your wife, and everything else with you? I long to see you. I wish I could get another case in the Supreme Court before I die!!

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office of the clerk, Supreme Court of the United States, Washington 13, P.C.

February 9, 1951.

Dear Mr. Bullitt:

I was pleased and relieved to hear from you through your letter of February 5th, for it had been so long since I have had contact with you, I was afraid you might be sick. Your factual review of the Chambers-Hiss controversy is most interesting to me. I presume this is the document you mentioned when talking about the case to Roma and me when I last saw you here.

The Hiss case was filed January 27th as No. 520 and I am enclosing a copy of the petition for certiorari. The Government has until March 1st to file its response. I will send you a copy of that when I get it. Respecting the record, I will do all possible to procure a set for you after the disposition of the case. It may be, however, that the counsel will insist, as is not infrequently done, that the copies be returned by the Justices to them, so my ability to follow my desire and meet your wish must. for the moment remain indefinite.

Roma and Weesie are both well and flourishing, possibly finding life a bit more burdensome, as the Old Man is now a cardiac with an absence of nearly three months from the office to recover from a heart attack in October. We should all like to see you, case or no case, because you know that you have a unanimous favorable vote in the Cropley family.

Affectionately yours,

Honorable William Marshall Bullitt, The Seventeenth Floor, Kentucky Home Life Building, Louisville 2, Kentucky.

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### Supreme Court of the United States, Washington 13, P.C.

March 15, 1951.

Dear Mr. Bullitt:

I have your letter written last Sunday and I have been remiss in not communicating to you immediately my distress upon learning of Mrs. Bullitt's illness. I am encouraged by the tone of your letter which indicates that the cause has been corrected and I hope that she will quickly be restored to normal good health.

Your graphic post script indicates that you know and approve of the decision in the Hiss case. I have been able to keep my promise by procuring a copy of the ten-volume record which I am sending to you by express as it was too large to mail. With it you will find a reply brief filed shortly before the action of the Court. These papers, together with the briefs previously sent to you, place in your hands a complete set of all printed matter in the case.

Please convey my compliments and best wishes to Mrs. Bullitt and in which Roma and Weesie join, and we all send to you our affectionate regards.

Ever yours,

Honorable William Marshall Bullitt, Kentucky Home Life Building, Louisville 2, Kentucky. John Shew Billings, Esq., 1200 Fifth Avenue, New York 29, New York,

My dear Mr. Billings:

I have not forgotten, and I hope you may not have forgotten, our little correspondence in June, 1949, regarding the Hiss case and my friendship with your grandfather. It has been a disappointment to me that I have not had the opportunity, in the meantime, to have you dine with me at the Union Club, as I promised. I shall remedy that omission before long.

Now that the Hiss case is finally over, perhaps you might be interested in knowing some of the further details that were not brought out at either trial.

I have just noticed in "Time" of April 2 (page 19) the parallel photographs of Hiss, the President and Stettinius, at San Francisco in 1945, and the photograph of Hiss and the negro thief handcuffed on the way to prison. It is a sad ending, in which, as the Senior Trustee of the Carnegie Endowment, I have had to have (at the request of the FBI) quite a considerable activity with Tom Murphy, for whom I have both admiration and affection out of our acquaintanceship.

I wonder if it would be possible for me to obtain (through you) an original, and consequently enlarged, photograph of the two photographs that I have just mentioned in "Time" of April 2

— not for any publication use, but to bind in connection with the ten volumes of the printed Record and all the Briefs in the Supreme Court of the United States (as well as those in the Circuit Court of Appeals) which I have through the courtesy of my old friend the Clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Please do not go to any trouble about it other than to ascertain if I can get the photographs without any particular inconvenience to yourself.

Very sincerely yours,



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April 11, 1951

Dear Mr. Bullitt:

It was pleasant to hear from you again, now that the Hiss case is all safely tucked away in history.

I am delighted to be able to provide you with a print of the pictures you saw in TIME. It involved no trouble or expense on my part and I enclose it with my compliments for your scrap books.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. William M. Bullitt Kentucky Home Life Building Louisville 2, Kentucky

Dear Mr. Bullitt:

I just received from Mr. Joseph E. Johnson, President of the Carnegie Endowment, his letter of April 12, together with the memorandum of progress submitted to the Trustees of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. You, no doubt, have received the duplicate.

I read over this statement compiled by Mr. Johnson on the new regime, and I notice on every meeting that is presented to the Trustees, there is an additional expense of several thousand dollars. At the end of the year when this money is expended, I have never yet seen any really concrete results. Mr. Johnson is now requesting \$12,000 for some special work based on what they generally call "additional education or advanced knowledge".

In the third paragraph, he mentions, "while the Endowment program must radiate from New York, there is much work to be done throughout the United States, and our very presence at the seat of the United Nations should constantly remind us that the struggles for peace must be carried on in the world at large". This was the last paragraph of the formulation of future program. Mr. Johnson mentions the \$12,000 on page He may be a very brilliant man, for he has been educated in the State Department along with Mr. Alger Hiss, our former President. I did not want to vote for Mr. Hiss when he was nominated. I stated my feelings to Mr. Finch at his home in Washington the night before he was proposed, that I would not believe that man under oath for some reason or other. was a strong thought but it turned out to be correct. Finch agreed with me when we discussed the matter at that time.

I am not at all enthusiastic about the United Nations. It may be a very narrow thought in my mind, but I have come to the conclusion that the sconer we get rid of the United Nations, the better off this country will be.

My ancestors fought with Washington and later my father, a Colonel in the regular army, fought in the Indian wars and was in command of the regiment when General Custer was killed by the Sioux Indians and it was he who found him dead. I spent four years in the army myself, and I really think the situation we face today is tragic and with the present government in power this republic may be destroyed.

I have written for reservations at the Waldorf and I expect to arrive there on Sunday, May 6. If I cannot obtain reservations there I will register at The Pierre, at 60th and Fifth Avenue. I do hope to meet you a day or two before the meeting. Try to arrange it so we can have lunch together.

The arrival of General Douglas MacArthur last night was a great and startling event in San Francisco. There has been no occasion in this city to compare with it. There were thousands of people surrounding the St. Francis Hotel, which faces Union Square, and it really was most impressive. He will pass our building this morning with his escort. He will be in an open car with Governor Warren and Mayor Robinson. Even now, the crowd is gathering on the street below and it will be a great experience for all to behold. Literally thousands are on the streets between the hotel and this building.

My very kind remembrance to you and I hope I will have a letter from you before I leave San Francisco.

Sincerely,

William Wallace Chapin Publisher

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Whittaker Chambers, Esq. St. Agnes Hospital Baltimore, Maryland

DAY LETTER November 7, 1952 Frank No. 93526

I have just heard of your illness and this carries with it
my most earnest desire for your quick recovery and the deep feeling of
public obligation to you for the great work you did against Communism
when little attention was being paid to it and it has now become one of
the greatest of all public issues. You doubtless remember my pamphlet
and my letter to you from Nassau in November 1948 as well as our meeting
during the Hiss trial when the FBI introduced me to you. Very
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Got information through Archie Roosevelt re letter from John Foster Dulles re election of Hiss as President.

Dulles says he was not present at Meeting when Hiss was elected President of Carnegie Endowment.

William C. Bullitt - Adams 4-1234.

L.H.J.

Archibald B. Roosevelt:

Residence: 200 East 66th Street New York 21, New York

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Turkey Lane House Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island Telephone 834

(There on week-ends only October-May 1)

Archibald B. Roosevelt, Esq., Turkey Lane House, Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island, New York,

Dear Mr. Roosevelt:

Through an almost impossible long distance telephone connection, on yesterday my secretary took a message from John T.
Flynn that, on account of some information you had given him,
he desired to obtain some information or documents from me about
Mr. Dulles.

The telephone connection was so outrageously bad that I was utterly unwilling to talk on the telephone myself, lest anything I might say would be misunderstood from the almost unintelligible telephonic connection. I told him I would get in touch with him sometime when I am in New York.

I have not forgotten the great pleasure that I had in my various conversations with Mrs. Roosevelt, both at Preston Davie's dinner in late August, 1949, and, as I remember, at numerous times during the first trial of Hiss, when we sat practically together at various sessions of that trial — when I told her much about the Hiss situation. Somewhat later, at your request, I sent you a copy of the little pamphlet I had written many months before about Hiss.

It is true that I do know a great deal of the connection

### Roosevelt #2

between about 1944 and until the final conviction of Hiss, between our Secretary of State and the various Hiss connections, which were pretty close and evidences of which are still going on. They are all of record, though not generally known.

The next time I am in New York, it would give me a great deal of pleasure if you could spare time to dine with me at the Union Club some evening — or, better still, if you and Mrs. Roosevelt could dine with me there on one of the Ladies Nights (Sunday and Thursday), or at the Colony Restaurant — when I can give you the details, which might interest you.

I have not forgotten our friendly connection at Plattsburg in 1915.

With kindest regards for yourself and Mrs. Roosevelt, be-

Very sincerely yours,

This

May 9, 1953

PERSONAL.

Harold Willey, Esq., Clerk, Supreme Court of the United States, Washington 13, D. C.,

Dear Mr. Willey:

There are two things I want to say to you.

1. Elmore was good enough to furnish me with the complete ten volumes of the Hiss Record and the Briefs, which I have had handsomely bound, to add to my Hiss collection. He did it out of some of the curplus copies when the certiorari was denied.

If you could find a surplus copy of the Record and Briefs in connection with the recent denial of <u>certiorari</u>, on what is called the alleged forged typewriter, I would greatly appreciate it, so that I could have them bound and to that extent complete my collection on the subject.

You may not know it, but I have had a great deal to do with the Hiss case - on the side of seeing that he got a fair trial and was convicted. If you could help me in completing my collection, I would really appreciate it personally a great deal.

I expect I will write a reply to Earl Jowitt's (former Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain) "The Strange Case of Alger Hiss", which is just out in London.

2. Another word of a more personal character:

My daughter, Mrs. Lowry Watkins, knew of my old friendship with Elmore, but I do not think she knew of his death.

Recently, she was in Washington at some sort of Republican political meeting. She went up to the Supreme Court; got into the Clerk's Office [you were absent]; and told them she was my daughter, and would like to see the Supreme Court.

I am not sure who the two or more persons in the Clerk's Office were who took care of her, but she came back with the most enthusiastic account of how they took her everywhere connected with the Supreme Court and did so many things to let her know all about it and to see everything. She was wildly enthusiastic over her treatment in your office. I am afraid she was a bore, but nevertheless I just want to tell you what a wonderful experience she had, and the immense amount of attention that some of the men in your office gave to her. I deeply appreciate it.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes,
Ever faithfully yours,

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Nay 27, 1953

Harold B. Willey, Esq., Clerk, Supreme Court of the United States, Washington 13, D. C.,

Dear Mr. Willey:

Many, many thanks for your great kindness in sending me the Record and Briefs on the latest phase of the Hies case. I am having them bound in the same style as I had the ten volumes that Elmore gave me. I am very grateful to you.

I have just been reading Earl Jowitt's "The Strange Case of Alger Hiss". Jowitt was the former Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain. I have scratched pencil annotations over practically every page of his book, and made many corrections. Would you care to have a copy of it in your own personal Library? If so, I will send you one as soon as I receive two other copies which are on the way to me now from England.

Ever faithfully yours,

### PREFATORY NOTE

On December 15, 1948, Alger Hiss was indicted for perjury on two counts.

On May 31-July 9, 1949, a first trial was had, which resulted in a hung jury.

On November 17, 1949—January 21, 1950, a second trial was had, which resulted in Alger Hiss' conviction on the two perjury counts; for each of which he was sentenced to five concurrent years in the penitentiary.

On December 7, 1950, the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit affirmed Hiss' conviction (185 F. 2d 822); and the Supreme Court of the United States refused to grant certifrant (340 U.S. 948).

Hiss began his prison term in the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary on March 22, 1951; and was released on November 27, 1954 — two days after Thanksgiving Day — after serving three years, eight months, and five days of the five-year sentences for perjury, with time off for good behavior.

WM. MARSHALL BULLITT

February 25, 1956.