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Dear Reggie,

I don't like dramatic statements, but I think that in all fairness I should make this confession.

You proved right: The string which was submitted to its first severe strain when your people backed out of the El Auja agreement, has now snapped. I have to note this as a doctor, ex post facto, and with sadness caused by the contradiction between this fact and my instinctive sympathies.

Professionally life will, of course, have to go on. It was perhaps never more than a dream that it would be possible to transcend it and work man to man.

I did not expect your people to feel that they owed the United Nations, or me, anything. I took the risk of their turning against me. But I may have hoped for something different from the development which I have witnessed over the last week.

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