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Dear Barney,

From the sound of it, you're busy as hell in your new UC job. One doesn't often read that one's correspondent is involved in a revolution. I'm certain that I'm not the first one to say it, but, be careful.

My interest in the book continues. I would have sent you a contract immediately had it been the standard boilerplate variety. Because you raised a number of important questions about what the Press should do for your manuscript that obviously fall within the realm of negotiations, I held back. Should the standard contract be acceptable with a series of handshakes by letter about what is required of the Press, I will gladly send one down to you.

Stay well and keep in touch.

Sincerely yours,



Stanley Holwitz
Assistant Director

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Mr. Stanley Holwitz
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February 15, 1989

Dear Stan,

Yes, I am still alive. The Roots of Conflict manuscript is still alive, too. We put the project aside to work on other writing which was backed up by strong commitments and contracts.

I wrote two books. One is finished and in press and other will be finished in three weeks. Neither of the books is an academic press book. Enclosed are a few pages from the second one.

At the same time I keep on the Roots of Conflict book and will turn full attention to it after I get number two done.

Aside from writing and the UC job, I am involved in a revolution, the side the world rarely sees of internal politics, pressures, frustrations, fragile alliances, personalities, heroism and opportunism, human strengths and weaknesses, and short-term friends and long-term enemies.

Stan, I really appreciate your continuing interest in the book. It would have been nice to have a contract but we will push ahead anyway.

The material is both timely and timeless. These conflicts just don't go away. Since I wrote "The Third World War" article in 1987, all of the world's state vs. state wars have stopped and none of the state vs. nation wars have been resolved. Pick up almost any Washington Post or New York Times and you will find two or three (one day there were seven) stories on state-nation conflicts. Yet academics never connect the dots, perhaps because of blind acceptance of state-produced categories and disciplinary pigeon holes. Because other sovereignties and other explanations are unthinkable, the common patterns are seen as unique pieces.

Cheers,

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Dear Barney,

Any word about the manuscript would be appreciated. Is it still active? Are you still alive? Please write.

Stay well.

Sincerely yours,



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