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In Flight...

Sunday Jan 31 1971

Altitude;

Location;

En route to Washington

Dear Matt.,

In case nobody thanked you for coming to Kingston (hardly at the top of your list of priorities!) let me tell you that you were awaited on Fri. evening like the Messiah, and your presence here — abandoning that standard of comparison — was decisive. I had tackled Sheffer the night before and had been told that the Protocol was a scrap of paper — which it is. I didn't have the weight to withstand this.

I had only 2 days in Toronto (I was on Sabbatical) but I did write a short article for the Globe & Mail — 1500 words that they can cut to 1200. The G&M is the nearest thing we have to a national newspaper,

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and is required reading for MPs
(not military police). I left word with
my secretary to send you a copy, if they
publish it.

Something amusing is that a friend of
mine had a meeting (on a different topic)
with the Min. for External Affairs, Mitchell
Sharp, yesterday and asked him about his
(Tues.) meeting with me. Sharp replied, "he
completely changed my mind about your
arguments, as you'll see from the Globe & Mail,
were yours —

Now let's hope nobody completely
changes his mind back. He is a tough bird, so
I am hopeful. All good wishes
John