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Dear Michael,

In case your CBW channels are sluggish these days, here are two items. The first will seem vaguely familiar by now. It is the text of a talk I gave this summer at the University of Chicago. God knows who wrote the wild introductory note. The other item can't be less important, but you will probably have got it already. It is the statement Ambassador Alva Myrdal made in the UN First Committee last week. (See pages 6-10.) The last paragraph on page 6 and the first two full paragraphs on page 7 sound like Sweden may be considering rejection of the United States as a party to the treaty if the current "understandings" remain unmodified. The second of these paragraphs seems to me to go some distance down that road.

Actually, it was this and some related things that have come to my attention that I have wanted to talk with you about for the past few weeks. However, unless there is some urgency, it can wait until I get down again, probably in a few weeks.

While sitting here dictating this I see that three giant tomes have just come from SIPRI: volumes 1, 4 and 5 of their CBW opus. A penny post card will get them all shipped down to you but I am sure you are on their mailing list anyway.

as ever,

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