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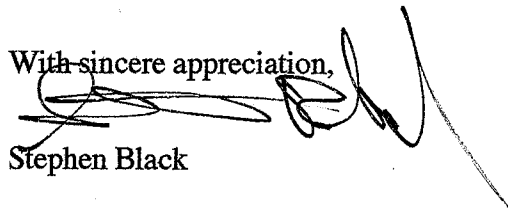
Dear Matt,

I want to thank you for the opportunity to be a fellow of the Belfer Center for the past two years. While I could have conducted my research and writing anywhere, nowhere but Harvard would have afforded me the same intellectual camaraderie and research contacts. The chance to organize and participate in the CBW Colloquia was incredibly valuable. I am also going to miss standing up at conferences and prefacing my questions with, "Steve Black, Harvard University."

You were very considerate to support my request for a non-resident fellowship for the past year. Unfortunately the very early birth of our daughter in November forced me to cancel all of my travels until recently. I am sorry that I was not able to more fully participate in the activities of the Center this year. When—with luck in the not too distant future—I complete my work on the history of the weapons inspections in Iraq, I promise you a very advanced copy!

As I will be continuing my research on disarmament and the Iraq problem I am happy to support any Belfer Center or HSP activities or individual research efforts in these areas. Of course, if I can ever be of any assistance to you or any member of the Belfer or HSP community do not hesitate to call on me: (301) 990-7577.

With sincere appreciation,


Stephen Black

My regards and thanks
to Barbara as well!