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ALFRED FRIENDLY, JR.

Dear John,

The enclosed, unprinted and unacknowledged by Newsweek, was written for its editors, not you, but Pie has persuaded me that I should send it to you as well. I know Peter Rosenblatt wrote the magazine in a similar vein with similar results.

As you can see, I thought the article was ugly and irresponsible even though I suspect the policy you are carrying out is not one which I would cheerfully endorse. I was glad to see from your note and Diane's that you were not letting the attack get too deeply to you, and I thought you better to Mrs. Graham was just right.

Please let us know when you next get to Washington. We'll set up the bridge table promptly.

Dept. of State, RPS/IPS, Margaret P. Grafeld, Dir.

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We envy you your European
Christmas, though ours has
been festively sedentary. Too
many of our good friends seem,
like you, to have escaped
Washington for the duration,
and their absence combined
with the Republican presence,
makes the town drearier.
Come back and spread
some Latino cheer.

Best
Alfred