January 17, 1953.

Dear Arthur:

When Mamie and I go off to Washington this weekend, one of our great regrets will be that you are unable to be with us. I am very distressed about your health, and from the superior vantage point of my great age, I want to tell you that you must take care of yourself. That is the one and the important thing.

I realize that you have been in this thing from the very beginning and that you have given tremendously of your energies during that period. On that account I feel in some respects guilty. All of us are looking forward to your early return to vitality and health.

Meanwhile, as I know you understand, we have to go ahead with our setup. We are keeping some vacancies in the organization -- and when you are feeling fit again, I want you to get in touch with Sherman Adams and me.

Please let Mrs. Whitman know your address, and drop me a note from time to time. And let me repeat -- do be careful and do follow the doctor's orders.

Mamie joins me in warm regard,

Very sincerely,

Mr. Arthur H. Vandenberg,

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