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Dear Victor:

I did not reply sooner to your friendly note for two reasons. I have been traveling almost constantly. But above all it is not easy to react to an article so devoid of any serious evidence.

My recollection of the meeting with the Argentine foreign minister is extremely vague since it occurred in the context of seeing all Latin American foreign ministers during an OAS meeting at Santiago. Incidentally, the centerpiece of that meeting was a speech on human rights which I am attaching.

I have asked Bill Rogers who was Assistant Secretary of State for Latin America during the relevant period for his knowledge of the matter. His reply is attached.


In addition, Bill Luers, then Deputy Assistant Secretary tells me that he is as baffled by Hill's charges as I am.

Clearly Hill's argument that he discussed Argentinian human rights with me on a trip from the Bohemian Grove is absurd. The purpose of the trip was to discuss my post-government plans with my friend Peter Peterson. Hill hitched a ride. Peterson remembers no conversation with Hill at all. Neither do I though obviously there must have been some talk during a five-hour plane ride. But it could not possibly have been significant. At any rate, the notion of Hill as a passionate human rights advocate is news to all his former associates.

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It was good to see you at Carter's.

Best regards,


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As you know Bill Rogers was a Mc Govern supporter and Bill Luers was under constant conservative attack H

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