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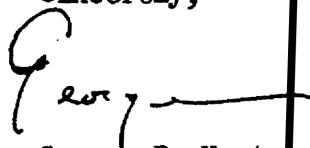
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Dear Jim:

I am speaking for Jim Shepley as well as myself when I say that we certainly appreciate your giving us a fair break on the hydrogen bomb release. After our conversation this afternoon I checked with our lab experts about the problem of reducing black and white motion picture film to stills. I learned that the most productive way for us to do this is to be able to work from the negative of the black and white film. From this -- negative of the entire film to be released -- we would surely be able to turn out an informative story.

Once again, many thanks and best regards.

Sincerely,

  
George P. Hunt  
Chief LIFE Correspondent

The Honorable  
James P. Hagerty  
Press Secretary  
The White House  
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