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R. C. LEFFINGWELL

May 16, 1951

Dear Allen:

Just a line to say that yesterday the Council's Directors elected David Rockefeller a Vice President. At its previous meeting, as I suppose you know, the Board elected George Franklin, on the recommendation of Walter Mallory, to be Assistant Executive Director.

I enclose a copy of a follow-up letter I wrote today to Paul Hoffman.

I trust you will approve all this. This is just for your information. Do not bother to answer it.

As you may have read, the Nimitz Commission seems on the way out. We've had only three sessions, one of four days and two of two. And to my regret I haven't had a chance to foregather with you in Washington.

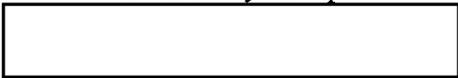
We saw Foster and Janet Saturday at Elsie's, both looking very well.

Yours ever

*Alvin*

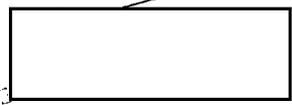
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Dear Paul:

I enclose a copy of a letter dated January 12th which Allen Dulles as President and I as Chairman of the Council on Foreign Relations wrote you, asking for \$400,000 for Foreign Affairs, the quarterly which Hamilton Fish Armstrong edits with such distinction and the Council publishes. I imagine this letter must have been lost in the mail or mislaid, for I have had no word from you in reply.

I know you want to break new ground and undertake new ventures; and I should want that in your place. Of course Foreign Affairs is nothing new, but I hope very much that this grant will enable Foreign Affairs to break new ground and greatly increase its power for good in foreign affairs and its sphere of usefulness.

I hope very much indeed that you will make this grant.

I am sure Allen Dulles would join me in this second letter as he did in the first, but he is on leave of absence in the service of the Government.

I hope you will let me know when you are here again. I should like so much to see you and Mrs. Hoffman and have my wife see you both. I remember that evening on your terrace in Washington.

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and I promise not to ask for anything.

With warm good wishes,

Sincerely yours

/s/ Russell

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