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Major General Francis Lanahan Theater Service Forces, European Theater APO 757, c/o Postmaster New York, New York

Dear Duke:

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Upon his return to this station from a recent tour of temporary duty in the European Theater, Bill Friedman has reported on the very interesting and quite informative experiences encountered while visiting the various installations under your command. The opportunities afforded his for direct contact with the people engaged in signal intelligence and signal security operations in your theater and for looking into the facilities provided for these operations, under Earle Cook, have given him a good insight into local condictions. This will, I feel sure, enable us to be of mutual aid in promoting the successful accomplishment of our joint tasks.

Bill has also told me of your special courtesy in personally conducting him through the signal center and other signal installations at Frankfurt, which he enjoyed very much. The many courtesies shown him by Earle and his assistants, in connection with TICOM operations, gave him the opportunity to increase his knowledge of matters that will be very useful to the Army Security Agency.

On my own behalf and on behalf of Friedman, I wish, therefore, to thank you for your many courtesies. I hope you will feel free to call upon me if I can exercise any reciprocity by affording similar opportunities for members of your command.

Sincerely rears,

W. PRESTON CORDERMAN Brigadier General, USA