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Ms. Deanne C. Siemer
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Dear Deanne,

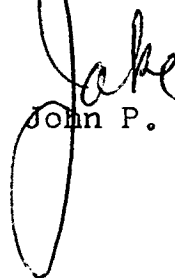
While banging away on the enclosed memo the postman summoned me to the door to receive the two latest packets from WCP. He commented: "this takes a load off my back." Of course, he put it on to mine! Anyway I will get on to that material this afternoon. I will skim the land alienation paper for I do not know if I can be of much use on this one. If I have comments I will share them, although please allow for my ignorance.

I may try the technique of marking up the copy and returning that rather than the more time-consuming memo. Although the time spent on the latter is not totally wasted for I do tend to think on the typewriter. You realize though that I am not polishing these memos for any kind of publication so accept them as rough, rough copy.

In referring to empirical materials I am not trying to pit political science stuff against legal stuff. Either can be realistic or not. What I am urging is a check on what is actually happening in government. What is the impact of particular arrangements? What do particular provisions mean in actual practice? Now, political scientists tend to do this more often than others. Although among the best commentators are George Braden and Frank Grad, both primarily lawyers.

One matter of logistics....Howard, as you know, has asked me over the end of the month. I plan to arrive in Washington on Sunday evening the 29th. Could someone make a hotel reservation for me and let me know where?

Sincerely,


John P. Wheeler

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