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Dear JH:

Today I received your check and tomorrow I depart for intensive work. Of course it is not for "vacation" or anything personal. It is precisely because our relationship is one of ideas that I asked for the help.

A million thanks. I feel sure you will not regret any sequel to MARXISM & FREEDOM. Getting away from Detroit means getting down to serious writing more or less around the clock. The last three months on my book meant a total time out of 15 minutes each for breakfast and lunch, 1 hour for dinner, and 6 for sleep. I am nowhere that close to this work, particularly since I am split three ways in my interest between Marx, Hegel, and the colonial world. But my ideas will get shaped into written form so that when I return I can continue in the everyday workaday world as well.

Incidentally my piece on the Afro-Asian revolutions (which got put into pamphlet form & two of which I sent your library in New York) got very warm comments from Francois Fejto who recognized the piece on Humanism and the Hungarian Revolution as a contribution, and from Maximilien Rubel. Anyone who is near either East Europe or Asia and Africa is pulling for that type of sequel, while the "professors" want the sequel to be on the Hegel's Absolute Idea. Well, we'll see what your contribution plus my pen will result in. You may not hear from me for a couple of months (although letters sent to my home in Detroit will always get forwarded) but whenever you do it will be an extension of ideas that you will "recognize" yourself in.

Yours,

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