



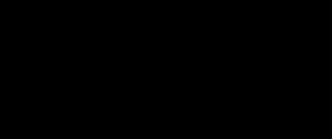
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Mr. Ken Follett



Dear Ken:

Thanks for your letter of November 5. I certainly didn't mean to be scornful or even overly critical of your efforts in telling the story of Chipparone and Gaylord. And, I certainly don't want you to feel that there is any less warmth in the cordial relationship we have established so far.

However, the Legal Adviser's office in the Department of State has told me that a lawyer acting in your behalf has contacted them and they are dealing with him in this matter. Therefore, since you, or if it is not you, Gaylord or Chipparone are moving to use the services of a lawyer to obtain information from the Department of State, it certainly is not possible for me to deal directly with you. I regret that I cannot be more forthcoming with you at this time; but, now that you or Chipparone and/or Gaylord have referred the matter to an attorney, we will have to leave everything in their hands.

Irregardless of the outcome, I wish you well with the book and do hope that the next time you are in Washington, you will get in touch with me. It would be my pleasure to treat you to lunch.

Sincerely yours,

Louis P. Goelz  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
for Visa Services