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Ken Follett Esq.,  
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Dear Ken,

We all felt good about your visit on Wednesday. And I am delighted to hear that you found it useful. I do hope that you will be able to visit our Sales Conference in June and capture their interest and enthusiasm as you did ours.

Having just finished copy-editing ON WINGS OF EAGLES, I can understand how difficult it must have been to assemble your cast for the prelims. There would be a strong case for adding Dadgar for instance. And possibly the families of Bill and Paul. Your choice of course.

As far as the team is concerned, my thoughts were more on the lines of:

Jay Coburn, Director of Personnel, EDS Corporation, Iran

The problem could be the repetition of the words 'EDS Corporation', so maybe another way could be:

The team:

Lt-Col Arthur D 'Bull' Simons

EDS Corporation (Personnel?)

Jay Coburn, Director of Personnel, Iran  
Etc. etc.

Herewith the copyedited manuscript. All suggestions are made in a 2B pencil, so that rejections can be erased with ease. The queries are few:

Jay Coburn is described P6 and P99. Delete details on P99?

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P. 122 'druthers' - ?

P. 125 'surtran' - ?

P. 394 'the whole nine yards' - ?

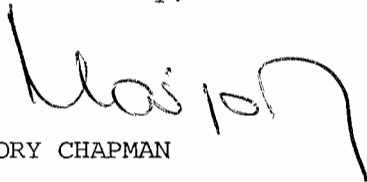
Our resident young historian who has also read ON WINGS OF EAGLES in detail tells me that the Crusaders did not in fact journey so far north. Hence the alteration on P. 494.

You gave us cause for fascinating discussion as to how we should set thoughts involving changes to the present tense. Our 'Composition Style for Books Published by Collins' proved inadequate. The final decision was : no capital. I hope this does not disturb you aesthetically.

Over to you. My grateful thanks for the quality of your presentation - as well as content - which made copyediting a pleasure.

All best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Marjory Chapman', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

MARJORY CHAPMAN