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Dear Karel,

I am home for a short spell — and some treatment (!). I had a massive purpura following malaria, (2) Lassa leg with ulceration! I have promised to complete a year in the Sahel (Lake Chad), but Lassa is not pleased, and truth to tell, I am quite tired!

How goes your own work? I did try to telephone you one evening about two weeks ago.

In fact I spent about 30 minutes — but could get nothing. I tried what I assume is the Hospital & the Officer's Mess, but could not get your home telephone?

How is Mary? And do you get to D.C. often?

My own plans are to remain here for another 6-8 weeks. I probably will go back to Maiduguri to get them started, then come back permanently. I have a great deal of work to write up — to think about.

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What is news here I do mean
academic news! The political chatter is
now hardly news? Have you completed Volume
3? — (then you must send me a copy!).

But more importantly, now you should begin a
Second Edition — in the Grand Style. You
must find some outfit who will fund your
photo illustrations — and put out a grand
Edition. Do not cease your work.

We are well. Not much news to
tell you. When you can — you must drop a
line. Regards and greetings from Ivana
to Mary and to you.

As Always,

Stacy.