

UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

Two Park Avenue
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Personal

Dear General:

In reply to yours of November 23rd, you need have no worry about the arrangements. It is all on a completely flexible basis and it is so understood by the Secretary General. The invitation will be cabled December 4th and you can make up your mind after that.

Let me congratulate you on your speech to the B'nai B'rith. I thought it completely "in character" and believe that you must have written it yourself. It has had a very good effect.

I would like to suggest another topic for a television speech in addition to the topics of social security and a modern foreign trade policy. That is that you state your detestation of communism - what you think it is, why you detest it, what you think can be done about it. This statement could be made in conjunction with an expression of your view that adequate steps be taken promptly to eliminate those in the government departments who should not be there. I think the country would like to have you take the initiative on this matter and that such a speech would be well received in many different quarters.

I thought the Cabinet meeting of November 20th was excellent. As far as social security was concerned, it seemed to me that we were getting the harvest from the seeds which were planted when you first took office.

Faithfully yours,

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.

The President
The White House