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Mr. Arabel J. Porter Houghton Mifflin Company 2 Park Street Boston, Massachusetts 02107

Dear Mr. Porter:

Thank you and Mr. Griffin for the thought on MOTHER AND CHILD which I fear does not seem right for us at this time. I have returned the book to him under separate cover.

Yours sincerely,

Ian Ballantine

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cc: Mr. John Howard Griffin