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Dearest Eliot, It was a great pleasure to see you and hear you (in public as well as private). I hope you have recovered from the evil city!

I am not comfortable with your request that I do not cosign an eventual contract for anIffi book. Therefore I tell it to you, no veil. I would understand completely if you would cut me out of some of the future profits, but as long as you and I are, as you have put it, collaborators, I cannot see the reason for your signing a contract alone. It is not likely, that I would misuse this shared priviledge, but I feel left out if everything is decided without my participation. I asked a friend in the publishing world, if it would make it very complicated for the publisher to have two cosigners and he could not see the problem at all.

I hope you can understand my second thoughts on this matter. Actually I did not feel good about it when you asked me, but I suppressed my missgivings at the time. Will you let me know, how you feel concerning it? I'll be back by January 14.'79 By now my departure is on the 21. which seems almost tomorrow. I did not see the Sanders this week as I had hoped and don't know when I will. Well, all good things are taking their time.

Very good wishes and much love

