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Dearest Bu,

My cup runneth over! First came your MOMA present, which thrills me as much as ever. To be a member of something is a rare thing with me. The next day I received the 'Intimate Landscapes', I am delighted to have it. And now your letter. Last things first: Daniel Wolf was scrupulously polite to me. My silly remark was caused by a vague feeling of different wavelengths.

I want to object to your remarks of my predictable characteristic of my taste. I feel misunderstood and it is important to me, that you understand me, even if we don't always see I to I. I do not prefer snapshots, shot from the hip! Planned and carefully aimed happens to be my ideal too. But the transcendent quality, that really sends me, can be found in both categories. The preoccupation with technical perfection can but must not be an added difficulty to achieve it. I meant to tell you, that you achieve ^{it} more often all the time and I find it not in less carefully aimed pictures. Or would you call my 3 favorites in Intimate Landscapes, Plates 36, 47, and 51 snapshots? There are more of course, but just for examples... Actually I feel, that you are just teasing me and I wonder, where those shot from the hip pictures of yours are?

Tomorrow Father Mann and I hang the show. The Sanders brought them yesterday framed and matted. Everyone looks forward to them. While the Sanders mounted them in the gallery, several people got interested. I wonder if anything will come of it. The Sanders will soon send us a new contract. I will see them around Xmas in W. and we shall then study which reprints are most needed.

Who is Peter Bunnell? I will gladly discuss the matter with him. Why should there be any difficulties with our heirs if your bequest states clearly the exact royalty division? The alphabetical Iffis are a problem and we must find a good solution to it. As I feel we are all of good will, we shall solve it.

Once more, dear Bu, you have spoiled me with you lovely gifts. I thank you! I might bring my friends in Washington one of your posters. They are lovely. Hope, you have a good holiday-season. You did not answer how Aline feels?

Much love B.