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Dear Friends:

It is now 38 years since Mr. Krieger and I worked together on the staff at Dachau where I was the administrator with the title of chief prosecutor.

The purpose of this letter is to make contact with Mr. Krieger or a member of his family who might have his papers. The reason for seeking contact is that there is an increased interest in Hitler in this country and I have been requested to write a book about my experiences in World War II, my investigation of concentration camps in Germany starting in January, 1945 and my experience as chief prosecutor at Dachau, including especially my pleasant association with Mr. Krieger and the four other secretaries to Hitler: Dr. Ewald Reynitz, Hans Jonuschat, Karl Thoet, and Heinz Buchholz.

Each of the five secretaries wrote memos to me of their experiences with Hitler while we were all together in Dachau in December, 1945. I took those memos to publishers in this country after my return home in early 1946 with the thought that all five secretaries would write memoirs for a book in which I would write the Foreword to give the book authenticity. The understanding was that the five secretaries and their families would receive royalties from the book and I would receive a small amount for writing the Foreword and negotiating the contracts with a publisher. That project failed because there was not that much interest in Hitler in the 1940s.

The situation is different now and the papers of the five secretaries could be included in my book, making it an historic document. I hope that Mr. Krieger or a member of his family will write to me, primarily to make contact at this time so that arrangements can be made for my obtaining the personal papers and memoirs. Cooperation in this effort will be greatly appreciated. I am sending a copy of this letter to the other

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four secretaries and their families with the same request
for cooperation.

My best regards and good wishes. I look forward to a reply
to this letter and I enclose \$1 American Currency for postage.

Sincerely yours,

HRH:gl
enclosure

Horace R. Hansen