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Dear Cyril Connolly.

I am sending you Klaus' last article in the hope that you may find it acceptable for HORIZON. The piece appeared in the June issue of the American monthly TOMORROW which odd publication, however, saw fit not only to cut the essay to bits but also to add a number of paragraphs which convey the very opposite of what Klaus desired to say. They speak, for instance, of the speedy recovery made by the continent of Europe thanks to American generosity and the Marshall Plan, and create the impression as though "The Ordeal of the European Intellectuals" were the latter's whimsical and masochistic invention. TOMORROW, as you know, is widely unread. Thus, if you like the article, I wonder if you might not be willing to do the exceptional and accept it in spite of its previous publication in the States.

Personally, I liked the piece well enough to produce a German translation which has just appeared in the NEUE SCHWEIZER RUNDSCHAU. Both, my parents and myself are eager to place Klaus' last effort in England as well, because we deem it not only a good exposé but also a valid and honorable explanation for his death. We should therefore be truly thankful if you would present the article to your readers.

With best regards, yours as ever cordially

P.S. Your reply will best reach me c/o Querido, Publishers,
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