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Dear Boris:

Your letter of 16 April was handed to me just a little while ago by Elizabeth. First of all let me hasten to assure you that I am getting along very nicely and that my recent trip to Europe probably delayed the attack rather than brought it on. I have a sneaking suspicion that a small attack which I had earlier in January and which I thought was merely a bad case of "gas" was really a cardiac attack; I think that I was very lucky not to have had something much more serious happen to me than did at that time. I think it was the general rest I got while in Europe, and especially while with you, that helped mend the small lesion made at that time. At any rate, I am resting and the medicos say that I will be here another week or two in the hospital.

I am enclosing a letter to Bo in answer to one of his of 5 April; it's self-explanatory.

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I note what you say in connection with your talk about the CK-52 with some



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The latter point reminds me that I meant to ask you or Bo when I was with you, or maybe I did, but if so I've forgotten what you told me: When you sell



In your last letter (18 March) before you left on your Portugal holiday you raised three questions



This reminds me that in our discussions we did not bring up the matter of

the customer's own choosing, if he so desires. Please let me have your comment on this point.

When it comes time to ship the CBI to us, all we can ask is that you do the very best you can in the way of packaging for overseas shipment. I could perhaps arrange for shipment by air, which would certainly be a lot safer than by sea, if you think this advisable. Let me have your recommendation in this regard and I'll see what can be done.

I am frank to confess serious disappointment with somebody in Stockholm (perhaps it's our failure) to hear a single word by this time about the C-52 you told them to get off to us by way of the U.S. Air Attache. I know that you must be delivering machines right and left by this time and why this request, entered months ago, has not been honored mystifies me. Our local Air Force office says that nothing has been heard from Stockholm on this point.

This letter is already very long and I don't want to tire myself out. I will be very happy to hear from you soon and certainly before you go away again. It seems to me that you are "leading the life of Riley" these days, with all your trips and vacations. Good for you!!!

I enclose a clipping from this morning's paper. Don't get excited -- there are several hurdles yet before I am putting a down payment on a new Volkswagon.

With affectionate regards, I am,

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN

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