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Dear:

The Nonproliferation Treaty, which was reported from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on September 17, is of such importance and detail that you may depend upon my giving every line of it the most careful study when it is presented on the floor of the Senate.

I have recently refreshed my mind on what happened in Nagasaki and Hiroshima in August of 1945. The horror of a nuclear war is such that one feels impelled to leave nothing undone that might even in a small way serve to avert such a possibility.

Be assured as we move along I will have your position very much in mind.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen