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Dear Danny,

Your fans in Japan are calling for you! When I was in Tokyo last week, Dr. Matsuoka, Executive of the Japanese UNICEF Association, was all afire with the idea of having a "re-union" of the Asian children, with you, in Japan some time in 1961. The plan is to bring one child from each country in Asia to Japan to have a good time with you. She says that you can do the whole job in a week, including travel time.

Her Association will pay your travel costs, and those of all the children concerned, together with each to come in care of an adult.

UNICEF Association raises money every year from the school children themselves. Some of the money goes into projects for helping children in Japan, and some to UNICEF. Last year they had a bad year because of the teachers' strike, and produced only $7,000. This year they will produce at least $20,000 for UNICEF, and Dr. Matsuoka dreams of $100,000. (This is of course additional to the Government contributions).

Dr. Matsuoka would prefer to have you come in May because she will be in the United States at UNICEF Board meetings in June, and will probably stay over through July for medical treatments. Her second choice would be August. They will be glad to have you, however, whenever you could come, except June and July. I hope very much that you can find a week for this trip. Asia is still talking about the other trip when you made "Assignment Children".

As ever,

Sam

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PS: My sister, who is in hospital, showed me the piece in the Red Book about you and Dr. Dooley. She was surprised to find it in the section about me. I was surprised too, and flattered.

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