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Dear Roman Totenberg, —

Thank you for the news of your performance of the violin sonata. I remember your telling me of playing the oboe suite when we first met in Symphony Hall, and I recall saying that I rather liked the idea.

Ever since you expressed an interest in my first Violin Concerto I have been fighting with Boosey & Hawkes over its unavailability. They couldn't even dig up a copy for me, but they have been promising for quite a time now that it would appear in reprint soon. It is most frustrating. As soon as I get it I will send it to you. I feel it is better than the no. 2 and perhaps old enough to be a novelty.

Best Christmas greetings
to you and Mrs. Totenberg.

Sincerely,

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