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Dear Fellow Member:

Every American is concerned over the expansion of governmental activities and their effect upon the individual citizen's traditional sphere of liberty. Some are concerned chiefly over the mounting cost of governmental operations; others fear that the present trend may result in fundamental changes in the nature of our democratic system. Still others regard these developments as natural and proper adaptations of government to meet the needs of a changing society. But whether we favor or oppose current developments, we are all vitally interested in their significance.

The Academy is devoting its Spring Meeting to this important topic. As our principal dinner speakers, we have Senators Harry Byrd of Virginia and Paul Douglas of Illinois. In addition, General Eisenhower, an Honorary Member of the Academy, will be present.

Dinner reservations will soon be closed. If you have not already sent in your reservations, please do so at your earliest convenience. Otherwise, we may have no alternative but to disappoint you.

Sincerely,

Grayson Kirk, Director

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