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Senator J. William Fulbright  
Senate Office Building  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Fulbright:

The annual conference of the World Affairs Council of Northern California will be held May 1 - 3, 1959 at Asilomar on the Monterey Peninsula. The theme this year will be "The Challenge of the Rising Nations--America's Response."

The conference is an annual highlight of the program of the World Affairs Council. Attendance is usually in the neighborhood of 600--mainly leaders from business, education, and community life in this area. Past conferences have attracted internationally known speakers, and have achieved major press attention.

On behalf of the Conference Committee, of which I am chairman, and of the Board of Directors of the Council, I am pleased to invite you to be the keynote speaker at this meeting. Your participation would, of course, add greatly to its significance. I believe that you, in turn, would find it stimulating to come in contact with this group of informed and concerned citizens. If you are able to accept, we hope that you will take advantage of this occasion to make a major address outlining your views on the foreign policy of the United States. Incidentally, Mr. Paul Hoffman has accepted our invitation to make the closing address. He knows of this invitation to you and has expressed the desire to coordinate his remarks with your own message.

Mr. Robert Blum, president of The Asia Foundation, is chairman

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of the speakers committee for the Conference. He will be in Washington during the week of March 2 and plans to call your office for an appointment.

Finally, I would like to add a personal word. Dr. Wallace Sterling and I would greatly welcome a visit by you to the University and the Institute, and hope that this occasion may provide the opportunity for you to spend some time here.

Sincerely,

E. Finley Carter  
Director

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