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Dear Ms. Sassower,

I've received your lengthy letter and enormous volume of documents. You and The Times simply disagree as to what is news.

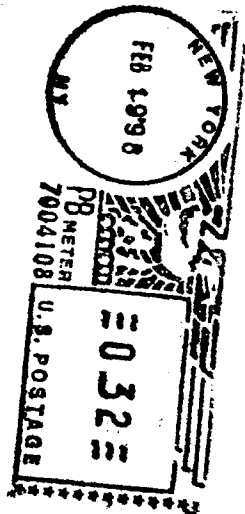
In my judgment, an ombudsman would come to the same conclusion I have. You see our actions as suppression; we see them as judgment. Everything else flows from there.

Sincerely,



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