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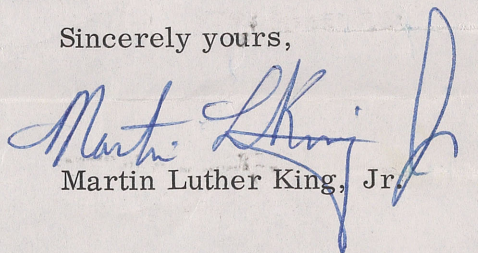
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Mr. Robert Penn Warren
Redding Road
Fairfield Connecticut

Dear Mr. Warren:

Enclosed you will find an autographed copy of my recent book entitled, Why We Can't Wait. Although the publication date is not until June 8, I wanted you to have a pre-publication date copy. I regret so much that during your recent visit with me the pressure of time and events made it impossible for me to engage in the kind of indepth discussion with you that I had planned. I hope, therefore, that some of the questions that we did not have an opportunity to discuss will be answered in this little book. In Why We Can't Wait, I have sought to shed some light on the difficult problem of racial injustice which pervades our nation. I hope that in some little way my humble efforts in this endeavor will prove helpful.

Sincerely yours,



Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Enclosure