P.S. Although I am sure Mrs. Hay has written you, (or had someone write!) the cataract operation was unusually successful, according to her doctor, and she was in the hospital only two or three days. "Feels fine." Also said that Mrs. Chapman's apartment had been sold for an "enormous amount."

February 11, 1981

Dear Mrs. Rubinstein,

You are thought of so much - and I so hope that all goes well with the book - and its progress with Mrs. Krance....heard through Eva on January 28th that you had both been to Zurich for lunch.

Both Eva and Alina fine - Eva now in Saratoga Springs on a different assignment than usual but she likes the work - AND, of course, the people in the movie. I take care of her mail, etc. Said she was going to see Mrs. de Stuckenbergh.

Apropos Mrs. de Stuckenbergh - did you receive my January 20th letter re her quarterly check? As I wrote, I drew one of your signed checks to her -"to be replaced by one of the 0139 2288 checks." The mails are so bad - but it has not yet come from you. Then - after Mrs. de Stuckenbergh received the household check from me she sent it to her bank - and it was apparently lost between Saratoga Springs and her N.Y. bank. She called me. I stopped payment at once on the Jan. 15th check, and as she always seems to be on the edge of calamity, I hope it was OK to have sent her a replacement as of February 3rd - rather, I took it to her bank myself as it is close to Mr. Namuth's and she is such a worry-wart re the mails now.

I used the last signed H.R. check for Mrs. de S. so I am enclosing two checks to be signed and returned. The Green Thumb sent a most unusual basket arrangement to Eva, which she liked very much - violets, etc. - but flowers are sky-high now - it

is awful. Also, the household account, as you see by the statements, is now $1,123.25.

Poland is in the news so much - will there ever be peace without war?

All OK with family here. Anita a good mother, ...do you see Marinha any more at all? I think you said she was due in March. ??

Still cold and wintry here - with the usual rash of 'flu and colds. Not enough rain - too little snow - but floods in other areas.

Expect to hear from John (Judi) any day re moving desk to new place - and Alina wants to let them have her two chests of drawers, as it stands now. Will attend.

Incidentally, although I wrote twice to California re your bed - I never heard anything. Have you heard directly? (And portrait????).

Please give my best regards to Mrs. Krance - and I send you my love, as always,

C.H.C.

P. S. I am sending, re your 1080 taxes, the #139 2288 Citibank Visa check you drew on February 13, #1038, to YOU. ~~[illegible]~~ You had sent it to me to prove you had paid the Ritz car rental in California. (Thought this was easier for you than sending it to Mr. Seiden which was my first thought. Hope OK.)