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Lesley,

I can appreciate that Jeffrey is busy and often hard to reach and naturally I respect his time.

It would be greatly appreciated to arrange a conversation in the next two days as I myself am about to leave the US for an extended period as part of my work with disaster relief in Asia, the Mid-East and elsewhere. As an organization, Second Response (the initiative of Fortunate Blessings Foundation which I founded 16 years ago) is entering a critical time, a major turning point made that much more significant as a result of our trauma team now on the ground in Tacloban, Philippines. The word from there is that our work is felt to be extremely valuable by UNICEF, World Vision, WHO, Save the Children and many other relief agencies. We are hearing this from others as well.

Should you or Jeffrey wish to scan through the daily [Blog — Second Response](#) (with photos) from the Philippines, click on the link. The [Second Response](#) home page also has a three minute video outlining our work. The bigger site, [Fortunate Blessings Foundation](#), has much more history and background.

What is pressing now is education-based funding for training and credible evaluation of our methodologies in the field and staff development so that we can reach more children. We've retained (and are hoping to hire in the next two weeks) a highly qualified PsyD, Michelle Wang, who has been the prior Program Director at the VA Hospital PTSD Clinic in San Francisco.

Can you mention all this to Jeffrey and let me know if we can have that conversation? For the 17 years we've known each other (we first met at Stephen Jay Gould's apartment and then I consulted at the NYC residence), we have never discussed my relief work. I think he still sees me as working with people who are dying while in fact I am focused mostly on disaster relief.

Now is a time I believe his valuable support can truly make a huge difference.

With thanks,

Bill

"Finding the right work is like discovering your own soul in the world." Thomas Moore



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