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Dear Dr. Hauser,

I'm a staff writer at The New Yorker magazine; you and I exchanged emails a few years back about Dan Everett's work with the Piraha and you were very helpful.

I won't be the first journalist to inquire if you're able to give an interview about this current media frenzy. I see from press reports that you're not currently speaking with the media. But I would not be doing my due diligence if I did not invite you to speak to me for a story I'm preparing for the magazine about the allegations against you. The New Yorker can do a more thorough, honest and objective job than any other publication, and that is certainly my intention.

Please let me know if there is any chance that we might speak. You are in the very unpleasant situation of having been accused of wrongdoing, which has loosed a tide of second- and third-hand reports of your supposed "arrogance" or "blindness" or "perfidy" or "fraudulence" from characters who, a month ago, would have sung your praises. As a journalist, and I hope a fair minded one, I find the spectacle pretty dismal. No one seems to be able to explain to me why, if the charges are so clear cut against you, it took three years for Harvard to do anything (and if I'm not mistaken, it was a professor who forced the investigation into the open), and why it is reportedly going to take the NIH "years" to do its investigation.

I understand that you have admitted to "mistakes," but I also see from a letter you wrote to Harvard that you expect to have your position restored--which suggests to me that you are not owning up to fraud. Anyone can mistakes. I wonder if we could talk about this?

Yours sincerely.

John Colapinto