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My dear Rajasaheb,

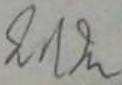
It is only two days ago on my return to India from Europe that I saw your kind letter of 2nd September. Thank you so much for sending me those most interesting press clippings. In your long statement you have ably expounded the philosophy of the Swatantra Party.

I need hardly say that I am most happy at your merging the Janata Party in the Swatantra Party and I look forward to our working together in close comradeship from now on. As you have no doubt gathered from our friend Matin, I have always found it easy to establish an understanding with you. I well recall that in April 1959, when you had come over to Delhi at my invitation to participate in a seminar, you were the only person who was clear in his own mind as to the country's need for an opposition.

I shall be in Bihar some time towards the end of the year and shall look forward to having a long chat with you then. I shall, of course, keep you in touch with my movements.

With my regards to the Rani Saheb and yourself,

Yours sincerely,


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