[34] Friedman Conversation 12-26-05

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To: Milton Friedman

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Subject: My Hope

Dear Milton Friedman:

As could have been anticipated, several responses came to my mind after reading the points raised by you in your last communication. However, out of respect for your expressed wish to bring this conversation tot a close, I will restrain my inclination to state them here.

I would like to say, without meaning to sound presumptuous, I hope that you would consider including in your public-policy recommendations your position as to whether a belief in individualism is essential or not essential to successfully implementing a free-market system.

Looking forward, let me say that Claudia and I would always welcome an opportunity to visit again the topic of individualism with you. Also, I hope that you would be available for an occasional comment or suggestion as we continue to (a) develop our website and (b) look into the protocol for setting up an endowment for the study of individualism at the Hoover Institute.

We thank you for the "Conversation."

Best wishes,

Gordon