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Dear Former Colleague,

How Dangerous It Is To Trust To the Representation of Exiles

"...And as to their vain hopes and promises, such is their extreme desire to return to their homes that they naturally believe many things that are not true, and add many others on purpose; so that, with what they really believe and what they say the believe, they will fill you with hopes to that degree that if you attempt to act upon them you will

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incur a fruitless expense, or engage in an undertaking that will involve you in ruin."

Machiavelli, Discourses, Ch 31

Cordially,

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