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Tom—

I can't reason people out of positions they didn't arrive at by reason. I especially can't when people refuse to let me talk. I let you speak, but you didn't return the courtesy.

You said you spent sixty hours figuring out what to say. You also said you're afraid I'm going to shoot up the place. All I can conclude is that you're fearful of me and thought carefully about each word. This includes thinking carefully about what a deep moral insult it is to tell someone you think they're a murderer waiting to happen.

Peace. We won't be speaking again, ever. The kindest thing I can do is leave you alone. Despite your accusations, I know I am a kind man. Others know it, too.

I hope you'll come to realize how foolishly you've acted. If so, please be gentle with yourself.

It was a privilege being your friend for the past ten years.

Grateful for a decade,

Robert J. Hansen