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DÉTENTE

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When you see her name on the window of the phone
you consider not answering but you do
and she starts right in without fooling around
saying she misses you and nothing
about what happened with that guy
and as she talks you remember
how much you enjoyed
your summer with her at the beach
and you can feel yourself
not forgetting what happened
exactly but feeling it slide
into a state of gray irrelevance
and you think
why can't Pakistan and India
have a call like that and then
you decide to call your sister
and your college girlfriend
and all the others
every one
even your mother.