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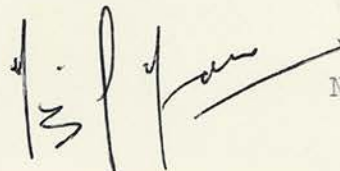
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Dear Professor Lukacs,

I am writing to you for two purposes. The first is to ask whether, if this University were to invite you to visit ~~in~~ England either to lecture to us or merely to pay a visit, you would be favourably disposed to accept, given satisfactory conditions for the offer. I do not know whether you have visited England before, but I can assure you such visit would be considered an immense compliment to this University and would attract much interest from the many people who have followed your work with the greatest admiration and enlightenment.

Second, I am most surprised that your famous work *Geschichte und Klassenbewusstsein* has remained untranslated into English, particularly now that there is a French edition (*Histoire et Conscience de Classe*, Editions de Minuit). As I understand it, Martin Ede of Merlin Press has the rights of translation of your work in Britain, but is unable to undertake this translation. Whatever the political controversy that may in the past have surrounded this work, it seems its fundamental insights in many respects should not be denied an English audience. I wonder what you feel about this

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Professor Lukács,

Thank you very much for your very kind reply to my letter.

I am sorry we shall not see you in England in the near future, but I do look forward with excited interest to seeing your new work : it should be a major event in Marxist scholarship. However, I hope you will bear in mind the possibility of one day accepting an invitation from this University. You may rest assured that we would be delighted to have you as our guest at any time in the future when you might wish to visit Britain.

Yours sincerely,



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