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Dear Tom,

I've your letter via Brussels, same postmark, with several enclosures. Maybe I'll get some comments on some or all, but I will start the letter without.

Excursus, from a letter from Loretta:

NEWS FROM AN anonymous UNIVERSITY

September 9, 1986

All classes throughout ... seem to be bulging at the seams, but still TA's are cut and vital courses are closed. I have heard rumors that if priorities aren't turned around, parents will start suing the university. I sometimes think the administration has lost touch with reality and has forgotten why we are here. A couples of weeks ago we got a memo saying \$250,000 is being allocated (each year!) for electronic mail. That would pay a good many TA's. I hooked up our modem and had someone program the computer. So far I have gotten two messages from the Dean. One told me I would be getting a message the next day. On "the next day" the message said I should send them a message to verify the fact that I got their message. This is really top-level communication.

I copy a list of School Libraries for the summer, and will add such directors as I can find out. No word yet from Korres. Maybe I'll have to copy out my note to him and send it again. Probably I'd better.

I'm glad to hear of your plans for Athens. One new bit you may not have suspected. Jan 27 (I think it is) is the Centenary of C. W. Blegen, and C. Zerner and Miller are thinking of an exhibit from the stuff in his archives in the Gennadeion and a talk by me. I certainly want to do it, but have few ideas yet. So maybe if soon I can dig around in the archives I may get some sort of inspiration.

Your piles of MacIntoshes and other pomes sound wonderful - but I will not even think of learning them till I have renewed my acquaintance with my own neglected machine in Madison. I haven't heard yet from John Bennet, though Barry reports he's there and settling in.

Yes, I've seen Vassilis, and was going to work him up this week. But last week, I had forgotten, was the Boiotian Congress, and he was busy plus. He promises to call me tomorrow at tea time, and with luck we can get it done this week end, and ready to go.

Pause here at 18 September 1986. This morning, 20 September 1986, he came around to my nice new apt. and we talked about the application. I gave him the copy of his last year's application that I had marked up with suggestions for improved English style, and some substance, with suggestion that he rewrite it to include the progress he has made and any new angles on his intended activities. He promises to bring me a draft next week end. The current cover letter to the forms adds that letters of reference are due Nov. 1, instead of as formerly with the applications at Oct. 15. That's helpful.

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Actually that just expresses our normal practice. I think his last year's letters will do, most of the work, since it is somewhat a formality, but I've suggested he get two new ones, which can take account of additional expertise and impressiveness. I doubt that his project will differ enough to make it worth while to ask you all to write again. I met Judith Weingarten in Khania and had some talk about sealing problems over lunch, and suggested her name as one. He does know her, and was she really at PylCA? He thought so, I don't remember her there, and she didn't seem to know me until I introduced myself at Khania. He suggested R. Hagg for the second. We will send you a copy of the application, and you my judge whether you ought to write again, but I think we need not bother the others.

He reported his considering, with the showing of the forms, of one of the Fulbright 3-month things. He was a bit worried about the schedule, as a possible conflict with Madison. I told him that we at Madison were quite flexible, and would take kindly to a shoving of our term around, e.g. Nov.—Jul. as good as Sept.—May. You have discussed this with him, perhaps, and maybe if you would do the advising on this one, we might set him up just fine. I'm not so sure where he wants, or ought to go, and whether a lecture (in the summer?) ought to be thought of. I hadn't know much about them, and the limitation to visiting not more than two campuses was unexpected, but OK.

I think that's about all I can remember to put in this letter.

20 September 1986

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