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Dear Professor Lederberg.

I wrote to you last on the 23rd December, but I understand that part of the mail for the U.S. on that day was lost in the plane crash at Prestwick, Scotland. In the event of my previous letter having reached you, would you please therefore ignore this one.

I would first like to thank you for your letter. However, I have thought over this matter carefully and have come to the conclusion in view of the fact that your laboratory space appears to be limited and moreover I am given to understand that you yourself will be absent in Europe during the coming academic year, that it would be advisable for me to investigate the opportunities in some other laboratory.

Consequently I must thank you for your kind interest in this matter & apologise for taking up your time.

Please accept on behalf of your wife & yourself the compliments of the season.

Yours sincerely,

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