Personal memo from
JOSHUA LEDERBERG

Martin Weir
Chancellor
U/I
12/24/90.

Your kind invitation – Beckman

Dear Chancellor Weir –

That it has taken a scandalously long time for reply is pathognomic – a too heavy travel schedule, and a short handed office staff at this time.

I think the Beckman Institute development is wonderful; and I know more than a little about it. But I'm sorry, my plate is too heavily burdened already. I do wish you all the very best!

Sincerely,
Joshua Lederberg

In the 1950's I used to visit Urbana family often [I was at Madison; Maria was there and my brother Seymour took his Ph.D. in 1955. So my sentiments are unabashedly positive.] Too bad that doesn't amplify time.

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