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Dear Josh,

The National Institutes are making some progress towards getting me a visiting scientist post next winter. They have just sent me a long form for employment in the Federal Service which demands three referees resident in the U.S.A. Would you have any objections to my giving your name as one of them. I think this is a pure formality so there is no need for you to perjure yourself.

Hope you and Esther are well. Remember me to the Sneathas.

Yours,

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