

NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT
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DEAR FEZA:

PARDON THE ABOMINABLE TYPING BUT IT IS INFINITELY SUPERIOR TO MY HANDWRITING. WE WILL HAVE AN ASSISTANT PROFESSORSHIP AVAILABLE FOR NEXT YEAR AND SAM AND I ARE OF THE OPINION THAT WE SHOULD OFFER IT TO HOWARD GEORGI. I WOULD SUSPECT HE WILL GET A NUMBER OF OTHER OFFERS (INCLUDING A JUNIOR FELLOWSHIP AT HARVARD) AND THAT HE MAY NOT ACCEPT OURS. WE WOULD THEN MAKE THE OFFER TO RAMOND. WE ALSO CONSIDERED RICHARD BROWER, NOW AT CAL. TEBH. WHO LOOKS VERY GOOD BUT WE KNOW ~~PER~~ PIERRE AND CAN GIVE HIM THAT BENEFIT. BROMLEY SAYS THAT BEFORE YOU LEFT YOU SAID YOU FAVORED RAMOND FOR THE JOB. SAM AND I AGREE THAT HE IS VERY ATTRACTIVE BUT WE THINK THAT AT THE MOMENT GEORGI SEEMS TO HAVE GREATER POTENTIAL, IS JUST AS IMAGINATIVE AND IS A "VISIBLE" PROPERTY. COLEMAN NOW SAYS THEY WERE FOOLS TO HAVE PUT HIM SOMEWHAT DOWN ON THEIR LIST TWO YEARS AGO. I THINK WE CAN GET GOOD LETTERS FROM COLEMAN, GLASHOW, WEINBERG AND BEN LEE. AS FOR RAMOND, HE IS CERTAINLY VERY ORIGINAL BUT, TO USE AN ANALOGY FROM THE GAME OF GO, HE DOES NOT BUILD FROM A SAFE POSITION AND THE WHOLE THING IS LIABLE TO COME CRUMBLING DOWN AROUND HIS EARS. THE REST OF THE DEPARTMENT THINK HIGHLY OF RAMOND. HIS GOOD TEACHING HAS MADE A GOOD IMPRESSION.

WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN YOUR COMMENTS ON THIS MATTER. THERE WILL BE A FACULTY MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8 AND IF YOUR REPLY IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DAY BEFORE ~~WE~~ WE WILL TRY TO CALL YOU IN ANKARA.

I HOPE THAT THINGS ARE GOING WELL AT METU. SAM JOINS ME IN SENDING REGARDS TO YOU AND SUHA.

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