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Dear Paul:

Reinis wrote me about the offer of "hospitality" to the Research Committee for a meeting next year. I have not answered yet and I am impressed by several considerations:

- 1) I think every effort should be made to hold a meeting at New Delhi in October 1966 and I doubt that much real accomplishment would result from another meeting say six months earlier.
- 2) Various Committee members have said that they would be unable or reluctant to attend two meetings so close together.
- 5) "Hospitality" means, I suppose, purely local expenses. But these are a small part of the costs, the big item being travel. I believe it will be a real problem to get adequate help for costs for New Delhi and I think this question alone tends to rule out Prague in 1966.

A possible alternative might be considered. Instead of a full meeting of the Research Committee, perhaps a smaller group could meet for special purposes. I am not sure what the "special purposes" might be but there would still be a problem of travel costs.

Frankly, I'd like to go along with the Czechs but I am most dubious about a meeting there in 1966. But please advise me.

Sincerely,

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