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Oct. 12, 1995

Dr. + Mrs. Alfred Baeler
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Dear Alfred and Isabel,

I hope you are both doing well. Thank you very much for recommending that I contact your cousin, Margit Serenyi upon my arrival in Washington DC. I only called her this week because my roommate and I were not able to coordinate a moving into a new place until October 1st. I had wanted to wait until I was organized,

Ms. Serenyi returned my call immediately, and we talked for about an hour on the phone about our (and your) present, past, and hopefully future activities. She told me of her experiences, and on the following day, gave me useful advice and excellent contacts. Thank you for your suggestion.

Ms. Serényi told me of her intention to join you for the Thanksgiving holiday. I wish you a pleasant family reunion.

I hope that your current activities in the Czech Republic are going well: that the second young Czech scientist award winner has successfully been chosen, and that the Baedeker art history grant competition will proceed smoothly.

When I finally find employment, I will drop you another line and let you know how and what I am doing. Wishing you all the very best, and thank you again for putting me in touch with Ms. Serényi.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth

Dr. Alfred Bader
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A Chemist Helping Chemists

September 8, 1995

Mr. Christopher Harwood
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Dear Mr. Harwood:

Thank you so much for your most helpful fax of September 6th, much appreciated.

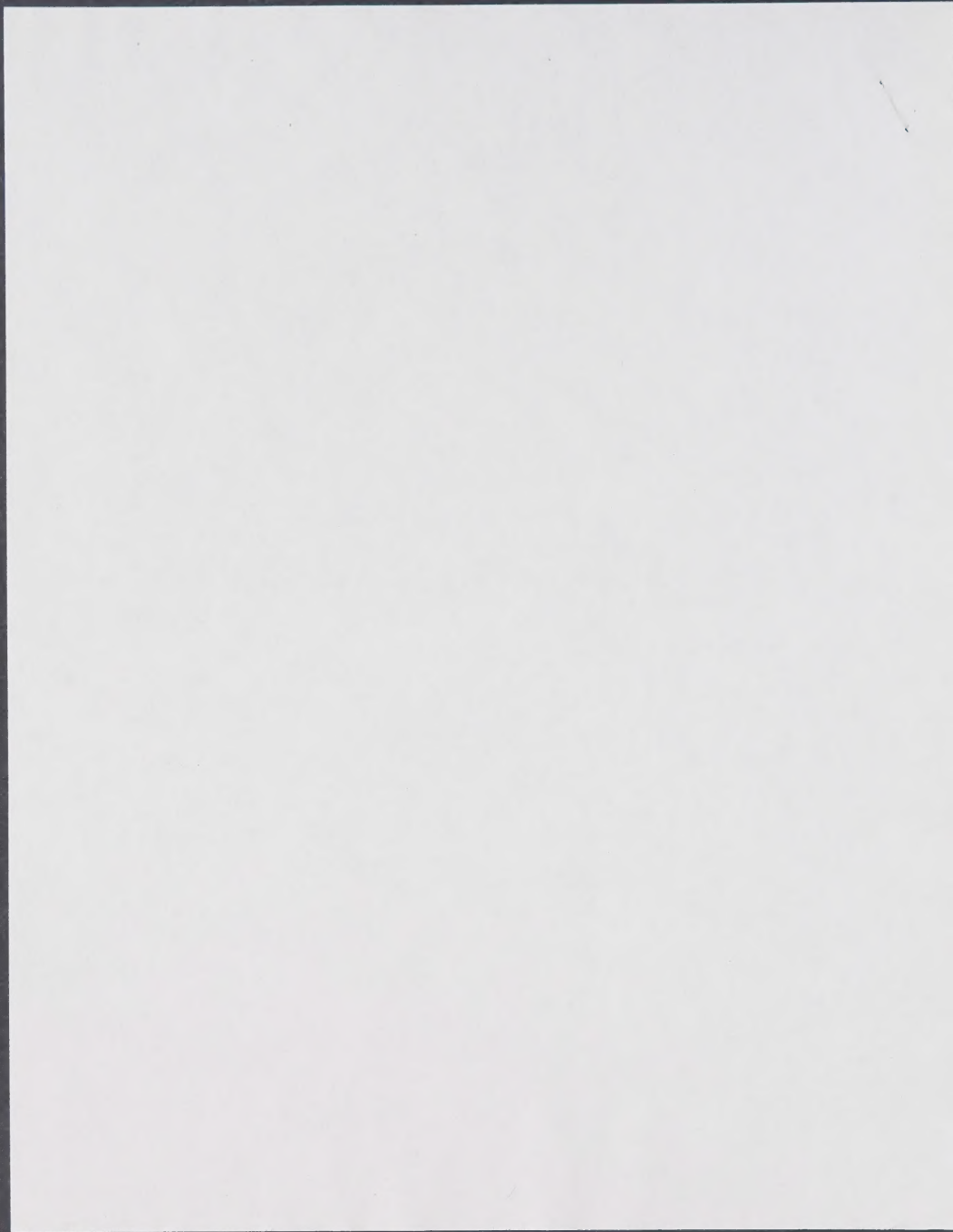
Isabel and I already look forward to meeting you personally when we visit Prague next summer.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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cc: Hannah Evans



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FAX TRANSMISSION

6 September 1995

Dr. Alfred Bader
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Dear Dr. Bader,

Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Christopher Harwood, and I began working for the Foundation for a Civil Society this summer in the capacity of Education Program Officer, continuing the duties formerly carried out by Elizabeth Sung.

My colleague Hannah Evans in New York has informed me that you are trying to locate Tomáš Kučera, one of the young Czech chemists whose attendance you sponsored at the Loschmidt Symposium in Vienna this past June. I am happy to provide you with the following address:

Tomáš Kučera
Sv. Václav 46d
763 64 Zlín
CZECH REPUBLIC

Unfortunately, Mr. Kučera has no telephone that I am aware of at this address. Should you have any difficulty reaching him directly, you might try to contact him through Prof. Ladislav Skurský, with whom he has been studying at the Masaryk University in Brno:

Prof. Ladislav Skurský
Department of Biochemistry, Faculty of Science
Masaryk University
Kotlářská 2
602 00 Brno
CZECH REPUBLIC
tel: (011) 42-5-41129347
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I hope this information proves useful to you.

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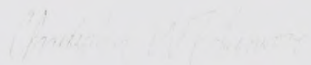
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Otherwise, I am pleased to inform you that I was present at the final meeting of the selection committee of the Czech Chemistry Society on August 23, when this year's recipient of your award for outstanding young chemists was chosen. I can say that the selection process seemed to me to be conducted in an open, deliberative, and fair manner, and I believe that this year's winner, Dr. Martin Smrčina of the Organic Chemistry Department of Charles University, was by all accounts the most accomplished and appropriate candidate. I look forward to meeting Dr. Smrčina at the formal presentation of the award, which will take place at a conference in Liberec on November 7.

Please contact me whenever I can be of assistance to you with your projects and concerns in the Czech Republic. I can be reached at the same address, telephone, and fax numbers at the Foundation for a Civil Society in Prague through which you formerly corresponded with Elizabeth Sung. I look forward to overseeing the administration of your generous scholarships and awards in the coming year, and to meeting you and your wife Isabel when you next visit the Czech Republic.

Sincerely yours,



Christopher Harwood

THE FOUNDATION FOR A CIVIL SOCIETY

November 8, 1994

Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53211

Dear Alfred:

I am writing to tell you how well the first presentation of the Alfred Bader award for young chemists went.

The ceremony took place at the October 24-26 conference of the Czech Chemical Society in Liblice castle. This castle is owned by the National Academy of Science. It could have been restituted to its original owners, but the family, now living in Germany, did not wish to take it back. (There is a problem with water seepage which has discolored part of the outside.) The inside is lovely. I am enclosing an extra brochure about the castle. On the ground floor there is a beautiful lecture hall with brightly painted murals. Directly upstairs there is an elegant reception room with nice high ceilings. This is the room in which the ceremony took place.

The ceremony was attended by about ninety conference participants. Dr. Horak spoke about the prize and its purpose. Then I spoke quickly about our Foundation, who Dr. Bader is, and particularly your interest in the Czech Republic and in promoting chemical research. Afterwards, Dr. Paleta spoke about the selection process. He also took the opportunity to emphasize the graduate fellowships you offer, and the great shame it is that no one has applied to the University of Pennsylvania.

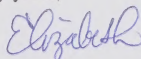
Then the award was given. Dr. Stary received the diploma (very nice hand-made paper), flowers, and a bank book with the award money. We all congratulated him. Then, champagne was passed around, with light refreshments. After about 30 minutes upstairs, the entire congregation was asked to come to the lecture hall for "the first Bader lecture". Dr. Stary then gave a lecture on the research he had done in front of all the conventions participants. (By the way, Stan Radl was also present.)

I talked for a short time to Dr. Stary. He is a very nice man who is doing chemical research with his wife at the University of Geneva. "We're a little chemistry family." He came back to the Czech Republic just for the occasion. He said he was chagrined to find a letter from you in Prague, which had arrived a few weeks before he saw it. He apologizes that he, therefore, has taken so long to respond. He wanted me to express his thanks to you, though he will do it in his own words as well. He is eager to meet you when you come back to Prague in June. By this time, he will have left the University of Geneva and have started with the Institute of Chemistry in Prague.

Thank you very much for keeping me informed of your contact with Dr. Skursky. I want you to know that next week I will be meeting with Jana Smidova and Dr. Danicek, the head of the Federation of Czech Jewish Committees to explore possibilities for you to support the Jewish community in the Czech Republic. I spoke to Helena Klimova, whom you have already helped during her trip to the U.S. She is working on a proposal for a project helping families of Jewish victims of the Holocaust to deal with their family's past as well as their present identity. When there is something more concrete, I will certainly let you know.

I hope you and Mrs. Bader are well. I'm am happily enjoying the last bit of Indian summer in Prague.

Sincerely yours,



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December 27, 1994

Ms. Elizabeth Suing
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Dear Elizabeth:

A long trip to Europe has delayed my thanking you for your letter of November 8th, and the most interesting information about the first Bader Award.

I look forward to being in New York in the middle of January and discussing in some detail how this award, and others, could be funded in perpetuity.

I would very much like to help to send some students who understand German to the Loschmidt Symposium in Vienna at the end of June. Please discuss with Professor Paleta and Dr. Skursky in Brno how to locate some students.

Isabel and I look forward to being in Prague, albeit it very briefly, around the 20th of July, and we much hope to meet with you and Milena Bartlova.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

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