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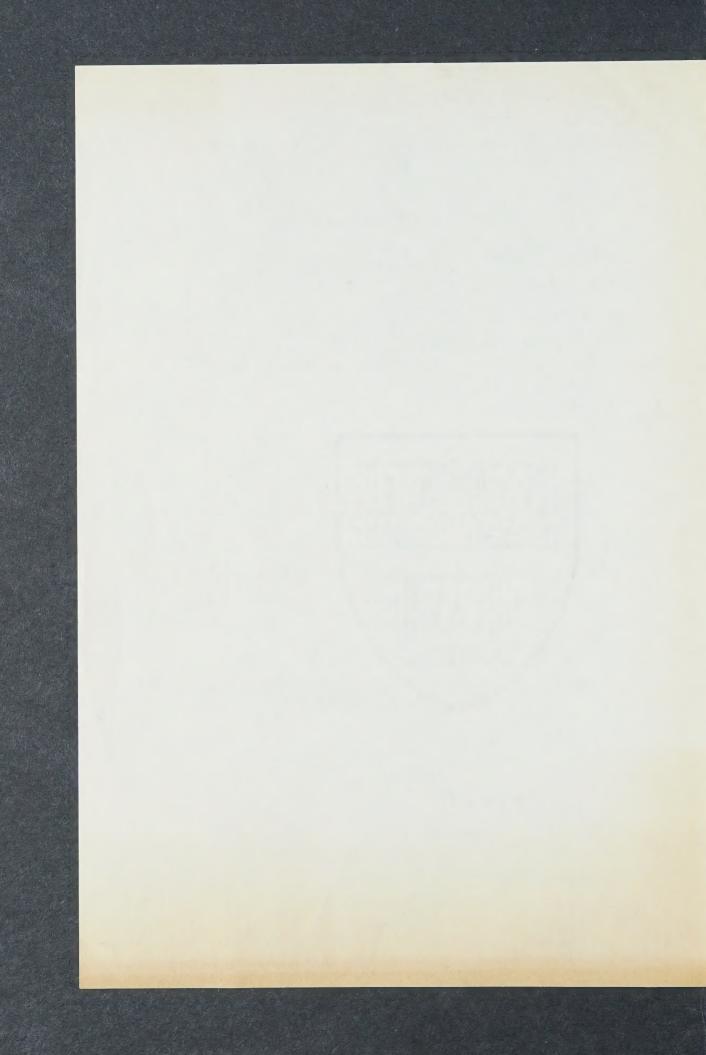
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19 April 1976

Dear Dr. Bader,

Warmest thanks for sending me a copy of your fascinating The Bible Through Dutch Eyes catalogue. I trust that I shall be able to visit you and the exhibition before it closes on May 23rd. I know that the visit will give me enormous delight and instruction.

I had the pleasure of seeing Dr. von Moltke here last week. He was <u>en route</u> to Milwaukee. I deeply regret that I was not able to accompany him.

With all best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Seymour Slive Director

Dr. Alfred R. Bader 2961 North Shepard Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

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February 21, 1979

Professor Sydney J. Freedberg Director Fogg Art Museum Harvard University Cambridge, MA 02138

Dear Professor Freedberg:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation of today in which I promised that I would send you additional Sigma-Aldrich stock worth approximately \$3,000.00 later this year. These funds are to be used at the Fogg Art Museum entirely at your discretion.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

AB/lsm

Dear Dr. Bader:

May I impose yet once more upon your patience and your seemingly boundless generosity to us?

My present concern is with Konrad's coming leave of absence for the academic year 1979-80. It is an unpaid leave, and Konrad has received a fellowship grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities in the amount of \$20,000. This is about two-thirds of Konrad's normal salary, and it is perfectly clear that he will not be able to support his family on the fellowship alone. There are no easily discernible ways in which he will be able to earn the necessary difference. It is of course conceivable that he might find some part-time employment in another museum, or that he might undertake a lecture tour, but the financial results are likely to be meager and the intrusion on his work destructive.

What I am trying to do is to ask you and one or two other people who are in close touch with Konrad to contribute to a purse which will enable him to have an unimpeded and relatively worry-free year of research. The ideal gift I should like to have would be \$3000 or thereabouts from each donor. Thus making the gift tax free to the donor. But it would not, I believe, be tax deductible, even though the Fogg or the Department of Fine Arts would act as the receiving agent and transmitter of the money.

I cannot think of a more worthy way in which to employ a relatively small sum. Konrad knows nothing about this effort I am making for him, so please let us keep it in confidence between us. I shall be deeply grateful for any help you may see fit to give.

My warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Sydney J. Freedberg Acting Director

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

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June 4, 1979

Dear Dr. Bader:

Once again I write to express my gratitude for your generosity to Harvard. It is heartening to know we have friends who not only comprehend our needs but also provide the means to meet them.

Your recent gift to the Fogg for the Fine Arts Faculty Research Fund brings us that much closer to meeting the goals that we have set. At a time when distinguished scholarship and education are more important than ever, such support is invaluable.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Derek C. Bok

Dr. Alfred R. Bader 2961 North Shepard Avenue Milwaukee Wisconsin 53211



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HARVARD UNIVERSITY CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02138

November 27, 1979

Dr. Alfred R. Bader 2961 North Shepard Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

Dear Alfred,

Thank you so much for the photographs you sent me. I showed them to my collegue, Bill Robinson, who is working on Nicholas Maes, and I would like to share his comments with you; enclosed is a transcription of a memo he wrote me concerning your pictures.

Bill moreover made the following remark, and I can only heartily join in with him: it would be wonderful if we might be able to obtain photographs of the many paintings in your possession, as many as would be possible. All the Rembrandt School pictures would be most important for our students to study, since in the ambience of Seymour Slive Rembrandt is always a major topic here; so any photographs that you could give us would be most appreciated.

I'm sorry that you were not at our interesting Visiting Committee meetings. Please give my best regards to your wife.

With warm wishes,

Most sincerely yours,

Konrad Oberhuber

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The Bader paintings are most interesting. I saw the Dou when it was sold in New York in May. It would seem to be a very early work of Dou, though comparative material is lacking. No one has really worked on Dou since about 1920, and so there can be little certainty about his works. In any case, I'm inclined to go along with this one in the absence of further evidence. I believe it is not a portrait of Rembrandt, however, but probably a self-portrait — he looks like the same person shown in some paintings of an artist at work by the young Dou.

The Rembrandt is controversial and is likely to remain so. On the one hand, it was rejected by Bauch as only the best of three surviving versions. On the other hand, the picture was etched by Van Vliet in 1634 so a Rembrandt original certainly existed. It's hard to believe that a work of this quality is merely the best surviving version. Gerson had no reservations, and illustrated it with a full-page color plate in his coffee-table book on Rembrandt. In light of the fact that an original must have existed, and that this version could hardly be a copy, I'm inclined to think that Dr. Bader has landed quite a prize!

Many thanks for sharing these problems with me.

(Bill)

October 24, 1980 HE CENTED Dr. Alfred Bader President Sigma-Aldrich Corporation 940 West St. Paul Avenue Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233 S. Or of Curan Star (2), My Dear Alfred, Not only was it wonderful to see you when you were here but to get from you this incredible gift that has just arrived is a marvelous bonus. You realize that you have doubled my purchasing funds for old master drawings, giving me the opportunity to pick up little things that come my way at a good price and thus building the collection much in the way you do by buying those outstanding discoveries of yours. Unfortunately I do not get around as much as you do but just the other day a young dealer came here and brought in two very fine drawings for a relatively low price that I now can snatch up. One is by a Frenchman, Pierre Lelu, a pupil of Boucher, whose drawings are very rare and of whom there seems to be no example in an American collection. The other is a very fine landscape by the Italian classicist artist Gianni, which gladdens the heart of my colleague who teaches the art around 1800, Henri Zerner. I hope I can make other purchases of this nature in the course of the year and will report to you what I find. I have made some first attempts to identify the seal on the back of your Fetti and must report that it certainly does not seem to be a Gonzaga seal. I am in fact rather skeptical that I will come to quick results but maybe I can contact a person interested in heraldry to tell me how to go about with such research. I am happy to see the photograph of the cleaned picture and I am looking forward to seeing the original when you bring it. First however you should have photographs of all the versions together. You may also want to send a photograph to Pamela Askew (110 East 57th Street, New York, NY 10022) who is a Fetti specialist.

May I add a last thought. Please do not resign from our Visiting Committee; even if you don't visit us officially your unofficial visits are wonderful and inspiring and you have certainly been the member of the Committee who has supported me most directly in my little endeavors. With all best wishes, and my thanks again, Sincerely, Konrad Oberhuber Curator of Drawings Professor of Fine Arts KO/nv

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October 24, 1980

Dr. Bader

#### HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

Massachusetts Hall Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

November 26, 1980

Dear Dr. Bader:

Your recent gift to the Fogg to establish the Alfred Bader Fund for Drawing is characteristic of your continued generous concern, and I want to express our gratitude -- for your support, your current service on the Visiting Committee for Art Museums, and your special friendship. Thanks ever so much.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Derek C. Bok

Dr. Alfred R. Bader 2961 North Shepard Avenue Milwaukee Wisconsin 53211



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Bill Harris 2
or company UK 2 November 17, 1981 , The Reverend Mervyn Francis 3 Pier Terrace West Bay Mridport, Dorset England Dear Reverend Francis: A trip to Europe has delayed my thanking you most sincerely for your thoughtful letter of October 22. When next I am in Dorset I will try very hard to visit with you and, of course, will telephone you before my coming, to make certain that my visit is convenient. Best regards, Alfred Bader AB:mmh



March 1, 1982

Dr. William Robinson
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Bill:

This will give you a pretty good idea of the color of the painting signed by Everdingen. I would much appreciate the opinion of Professor Slive's student who has worked on this artist.

Best regards,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh

Enclosure



March 4, 1982

Dr. William Robinsin The Fogg Museum Harvard University Cambridge Massachusetts 02138

Dear Bill:

I have been offered a large Rembrandt School painting, photograph enclosed, which I like. It is called P. Koninck. I do not know why; to me itolooks like a picture by Bol around 1650. Do you like it, and what do you think? Unfortunately, this is my only photograph, and I would like to ask you to return it.

Best regards,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh

Enclosure



April 2, 1982

Professor Sydney Freedberg
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Professor Freedberg:

I was so happy to learn your opinion of my panel depicting the Madonna.

Enclosed please find a good black and white photograph after cleaning, copy of the description on the painting when it was exhibited in Manchester, and copy of my restorer's report.

I purchased the painting from executors of the estate of Dr. Efim Schapiro in London, and I have written to Christie's to try to ascertain who the seller was in Christie's sale in October of 1942.

If this painting is, indeed, a fragment of the original Pontormo, can you think of any explanation why the architectural details present in all the copies are absent here?

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

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May 7, 1982

Dr. William Robinson
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Bill:

At last spring has come, and so I was able to take the Maes to the photographer. I enclose color transparency, 2 black and white photographs and 2 detailed photographs. While I am happy with the quality of the photographs, I am not happy with the quality of the paper on which the black and white is printed, and I am having that redone and will send you black and white on better paper, shortly.

Best regards as always,

Alfred Bader

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

May 11, 1982

Dr. William Robinson The Fogg Museum Harvard University Cambridge Massachusetts 02138

Dear Bill:

Enclosed please find print of the Maes, printed on better paper.  $\,$ 

I plan to use the Maes on an Aldrichimica Acta cover, with the description enclosed. Please let me know whether you would mind in the least if that appeared before your paper is published in The Burlington Magazine. If you have any misgivings whatever, I could, of course, schedule this for later.

Best regards,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh

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July 21, 1982

Professor Sydney Freedberg
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
Cambridge
Massachasetts 02138

Dear Professor Freedberg:

I have been trying to trace the provenance of my Pontormo fragment. Dr. Efim Schapiro bought it from Christie's in October of 1942, but as you will see from the enclosed, the seller was a small gallery which has now gone out of business. Hence I am afraid we are at a dead end.

Do you plan to publish the painting?

Best personal regards,

Alfred Bader

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September 21, 1982

Dr. William Robinsin The Fogg Museum Harvard University Cambridge Massachusetts 20138

Dear Bill:

I hang my head in shame, noting the Maes drawing has been reversed by the printer.

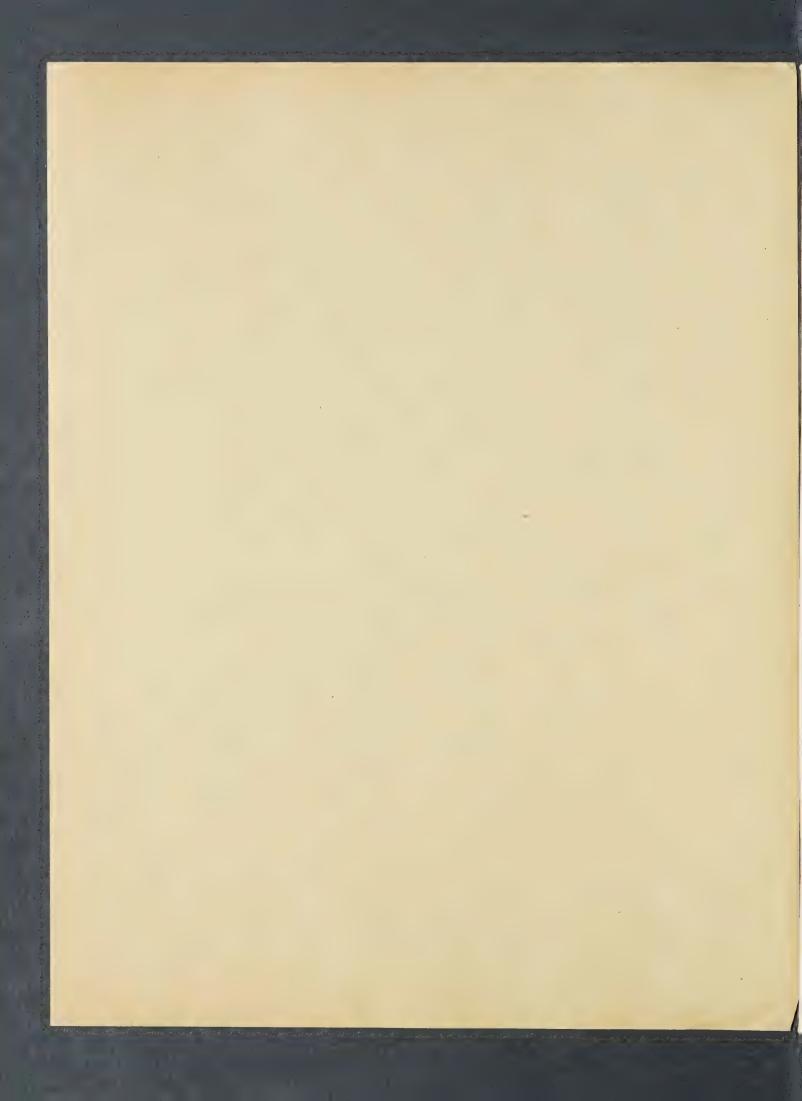
I am really intrigued by the portrait, c. 18 x 14", photograph enclosed, even though I fear that this painting also is German and 18th century. Clearly the artist had a good look at Flinck.

Best personal regards,

Alfred Bader

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September 28, 1982

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Dr. Alfred Bader Aldrich Chemical Co., Inc. P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201

OCT. 4 1982

ALDRICH CHEMICAL CO., INC.

Dear Dr. Bader,

This is to let you know that Professor Cox-Rearick and I are very close indeed to finishing our collaborative article on your Pontormo painting. Professor Cox-Rearick will be returning from Italy very shortly, and will give me the last pieces of her part which I shall then knit into the -- I think -- very informative article we have The editor of the Burlington Magazine informs me that he looks forward very much to the arrival in his office soon of the completed piece. He has informed me that he would be very pleased indeed if it were possible to publish a color reproduction of the painting to accompany the article. You may know that it is customary for color reproductions in the Burlington to be paid for by the owner of the picture that is reproduced. The cost of a full-page color reproduction (not including the transparency from which the reproduction is made) usually amounts to something in the neighborhood of \$700. I should like to urge you to consider subsidizing such a color reproduction, not only because it is enormously helpful to the reader of the article, but very helpful in a practical sense for the painting. I should estimate that a publication in the Burlington accompanied by a color reproduction can add as much as ten to fifteen percent to the real market value of the picture, and this is an increase in value that will remain attached to the picture in future years.

It is of course expected that the picture will not be for sale; otherwise certain ethical complications ensue. The publication of a color reproduction could then be construed as a kind of advertisement. This, however, is not, I assume, relevant to our case.

Please give this problem your sympathetic attention, and let me know as soon as you can what your decision is, so I can communicate it, along with the finished article, to the editor of the <u>Burlington</u>. You will, of course, receive a copy of the typescript of the article as soon as it is ready.

My very best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Sydney J. Freedberg Professor of Fine Arts

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

October 5, 1982

Professor Sydney J. Freedberg The Fogg Museum Harvard University Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Professor Freedberg:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of September 28.

Please consider this problem. I have only published one article in  $\underline{\text{The}}$   $\underline{\text{Burlington}}$   $\underline{\text{Magazine}}$  with a color photograph, enclosed. I then sent a big 8 x  $\overline{10}$  color transparency, and yet the actual reproduction is much too red. I fear that most printers have great difficulties unless they actually have the painting in front of them, and with the Pontormo, where color is so important, the problem may be even worse. At the time of the publication of my article, I almost wished that I had asked only for a black and white photograph. I leave it entirely to your judgment and would, of course, be happy to reimburse Harvard for the out-of-pocket expenses charged by the Burlington.

I don't know just when the <u>Burlington</u> plans to publish your article. I go to England several times each year, and if you felt it essential, I could take the painting with me and leave it with the editor of the <u>Burlington</u> for a few months so that he could arrange for the printer to see it at press time.

There is a slight chance that we will find out more about the provenance of the painting. You will recall that David Reid at Christie's had written to me in June, saying that "The vendor was the Spanish Art Gallery Ltd. about whom little appears to be now known." Then, however, I saw Professor Blunt's comments about Tomas Harris of the Spanish Art Gallery in the September issue of the <u>Burlington</u>, and copies of Professor Blunt's reply to my query is enclosed. It isn't clear to me whether Tomas Harris's sister, Enriqueta, married a man by the name of Frankfurt or lives in Frankfurt, but, in any case, Professor Blunt's inquiry might bear fruit.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosures





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

October 8, 1982

Dr. William Robinson
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

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Enclosed are 3 photographs of paintings that have come up:

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- 2. The Adoration of the Kings bears what appears to be an honest monogram: IL, and a faint date which I read as 1644. The picture has been very unevenly cleaned; the kneeling figure in a golden robe is beautiful. Is it conceivable that Lievens was ever quite that Flemish.
- 3. A small ship scene, really in quite good condition; is Abraham van Beyeren too enthusiastic an attribution?

Neville Orgel's new address is 38 Bury Street, St. James's, London SWIY 6AU, England. He would appreciate return of the color transparency of the birds.





Dr. William Robinson October 8, 1982 Page Two

May I ask you for some library help? I have noted that my Bremer belonged to the Bryan Collection of the New York Historical Society. Unfortunately, their 1915 catalog is not in Milwaukee. Could you please send me a copy of entry 98?

I will be off to London at the end of the month and hope to come back with some fine paintings to discuss with you after my return on November 13. If something really exciting turns up in New York, please contact my secretary, Marilyn Hassmann, who is in daily telex contact with me.

Fond regards,

Alfred Bader

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Fond regards,

Alfred Bader

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bcc: C. Munch

November 17, 1982

Professor Sydney J. Freedberg The Fogg Museum Harvard University Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Professor Freedberg:

Thank you so much for sending me the manuscript of your beautiful paper; reading this gave me a great deal of pleasure.

As you will see from the enclosed note from Professor Blunt, it looks hopeful to expect more about the provenance.

I return the manuscript with a few nitpicking comments; i.e., Dr. Schapiro is spelled with a "c", there are a couple of minor German errors, and the reference from the Manchester Catalog was not cited quite exactly.

The fragment was cleaned and restored by Jane Furchgott and Charles Munch, who are excellent restorers and who have also become my good friends. It would give them and me great pleasure if you could mention in a footnote that this was done by them.

Best personal regards,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosure



bce: Dr. William Robinson January 4, 1983 Professor Sydney J. Freedberg The Fogg Museum Harvard University Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138 Dear Professor Freedberg: My wife and I look forward to being in Boston on Friday, January 21, and I would like to stop by your office then to pick up my Pontormo. If by any chance you should be away that day, could you please leave the painting with Dr. William Robinson. Best personal regards. Sincerely, Alfred Bader AB: mah



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March. Anc., 1983

Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Sigma-Aldrich P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201

Dear Dr. Bader:

Again the Fogg Museum is in your debt for the transfer of 900 shares of Sigma-Aldrich valued, according to our recently received notification, at \$38,250. As I suggested in my last letter, the Museum could not thrive without the generous help of friends such as you, and we are deeply appreciative of your continuing interest and support.

With my very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

John M. Rosenfield

Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Professor of Oriental Art

Acting Director

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

July 18, 1983

Dr. Helene E. Roberts
Curator of Visual Collections
Fine Arts Library
The Fogg Art Museum
Harvard University
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Dr. Roberts:

I am sorry that a trip to Europe has delayed my replying to your letter of June 13.

I am rather surprised at the response which you received from the Milwaukee Art Museum. The museum prepared a set of slides of all of the paintings in the exhibition "The Bible through Dutch Eyes". That set is available from the Milwaukee Art Museum at \$50; if you would like to order it, please just send your order to Mr. Eugene Felsch.

Some time ago I thought that Bill Robinson might like to have the set, and so I sent one to him personally, and you might look at it before ordering just to make sure that it is worthwhile. The owners of all of the paintings are listed in the exhibition catalog. All of the paintings listed as "private American collection" were mine. Eleven were lent by the late Dr. E. Schapiro, and his collection has, unfortunately, been dispersed; I purchased No. 5 from the estate.

If you need black and white photographs besides the slides, please let me know.

It has long been my ambition to write a much more extensive book, "The Bible through Dutch Eyes" illustrating the entire Old Testament. Clearly your project, when completed, will be of enormous help, and I hope to be able to avail myself of your collection.

Best personal megards,

Alfred Bader

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cc: Mr. E. Felsch, Dr. W. Robinson



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June 13, 1983

Dr. Alfred Bader 2961 North Shepard Ave. Milwaukee, Wis. 53211

Dear Dr. Bader,

I am writing to ask you if we could acquire black and white prints or slides of the following works of art in your collection. The citations are taken from the catalogue <u>Old Students and Old Masters</u>; the School of Rembrandt of the Purdue University Galleries.

Paulus de Lesire. Tobias Healing His Father.

Govaert Flinck. Abraham's Sacrifice.

Abraham van Dyck. The Widow of Zarephath and Her Son.

Gerbrandt van den Eeckhout. Solomon Praying in the Temple.

Ferdinand Bol. The Ghost of Samuel Appearing to King Saul and the Witch of Endor.

Lambert Doomer. Esther.
Aert de Gelder. Esther(?).

Aert de Gelder. Elisha Filling the Pots of the Widow of the Prophet Obadiah with Oil.

We are particularly interested in acquiring photographs of all the paintings listed above in relation to a project we are starting of listing Old Testament themes found in paintings. Bill Robinson mentioned that you might be interested in

in seeing the outline of our project so I am including one. If I might, I would like to ask your advice on a related matter. I attempted through corresponding with the Milwaukee Art Museum to acquire photographs of the exhibition you organized in the spring of 1976. They replied that the photographs had been supplied by the owners of the works of art, and that they could not help me. I have ordered photographs of works that are in museums, or have passed through auction houses, but I do not know the addresses of most of the private collectors. Could you advise me on how these photographs could be acquired?

Thank you very much for your help. Please address any correspondence, photographs or invoices to me at the address on the letterhead. I appreciate your help.

Sincerely,

. etc.

Helene E. Roberts Curator of Visual Collections



#### VISUAL COLLECTIONS ICONOGRAPHIC INDEX - THE OLD TESTAMENT

The Visual Collections of the Fine Arts Library, located in the Fogg Art Museum, Harvard University, numbers over one million photographs and slides documenting works of art. It is one of the largest and best organized collections of visual materials in the United States. The staff maintains a shelf list and card catalogue and engages in extensive research to ensure the accurate identification of each item catalogued.

Although our collections are well catalogued, they lack one dimension that, with the changing scope of the discipline of art history and the increased use of visual materials by other disciplines, is growing in importance. This is the dimension of subject indexing. Increasingly we realize that it is not enough to be able to locate the works of various artists or to find works physically located in the same place, which our present cataloguing allows, but that we must also provide access to the different subjects or themes which these works of art depict.

Our first step in this direction is to attempt a listing of Old Testament themes depicted in paintings. We hope that this project will act as a study for the feasibility of future subject indexing, but also that, by itself, it will act as a useful tool, both in connection with our collections, and, if published, to a wider public including students of intellectual history and of religion, as well as art history. We plan to proceed according to the following stages. Stage one has already been completed, stages two and three are in progress.

- 1. We have removed and photocopied all cards in the shelflist (approximately 4,000) relating to the Old Testament. This has been possible because our classification system gives a range of numbers to Old Testament subjects, arranging them within each artist, but not allowing for retrieval of the subjects across the collection.
- 2. We are organizaing these photocopies of the shelflist according to their relation to a Biblical text and have added numbers from the Iconclass system. The numbers given in our Old Testament classification are too broad for specific retrieval, therefore we have used the more complex system of Iconclass. This system is the most definitive subject classification for the fine arts. It breaks down, for example, the Old Testament into approximately 4,500 themes and subthemes. Not all of them, of course, have been depicted in paintings. In our preliminary sorting we have used only about 500 of the Iconclass numbers. The Iconclass system was devised by Henri van de Waal and is in use in the Rijksbureau voor Kunsthistorische in the Hague, and the Bildarchiv Foto Marburg, The Courtauld Institute in London is also considering its use.



3. We are in the process, as budget and time permit, of ordering photographs and slides of works depicting Old Testament themes now unrepresented in our collections. We hope to assemble comprehensive holdings and generate as complete a listing of Old Testament themes as possible. We have used catalogue raisonnes, museum catalogues, reference books on iconography, exhibition catalogues and other materials for this stage of the project. Approximately 1,000 photographs and slides of paintings of Old Testament subjects have been added this year, but we feel, judging from the background work that we have done, that approximately 8,000 more works should be added and included in our listing to make them comprehensive enough for publication.

- 4. We are planning to input this material into a computer so that the file can eventually be printed and distributed and can be updated as new material becomes available.
- 5. An index will be devised listing the proper names, animals, objects and concepts usually associated with each theme. Thus, for example, the user who wishes to find all the paintings in which the figures of Jacob or Absalom appear will be led to them through the index. Similarly those who are searching for scenes of blessing or sacrifice, or for figures of idols or widows, will be led to those themes which may be expected to include them. The project can thus have a wider use than for those interested only in Old Testament subjects.

The end product will be a listing, under each Biblical theme, of paintings depicting that theme. The artist, title and location of each work will be listed. An index will relate Biblical chapter and verse to Iconclass numbers. The index will also include proper names, animals, objects and concepts and refer the user to the Old Testament themes that illustrate them.



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July 27, 1983

Dr. Alfred Bader PO Box 355 Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53201

Dear Dr. Bader,

Thank you very much for your letter. I have written Mr. Felsch asking for a set of the slides, or for permission to copy the set that Bill Robinson lent to me. I did not copy them outright because of copyright restrictions.

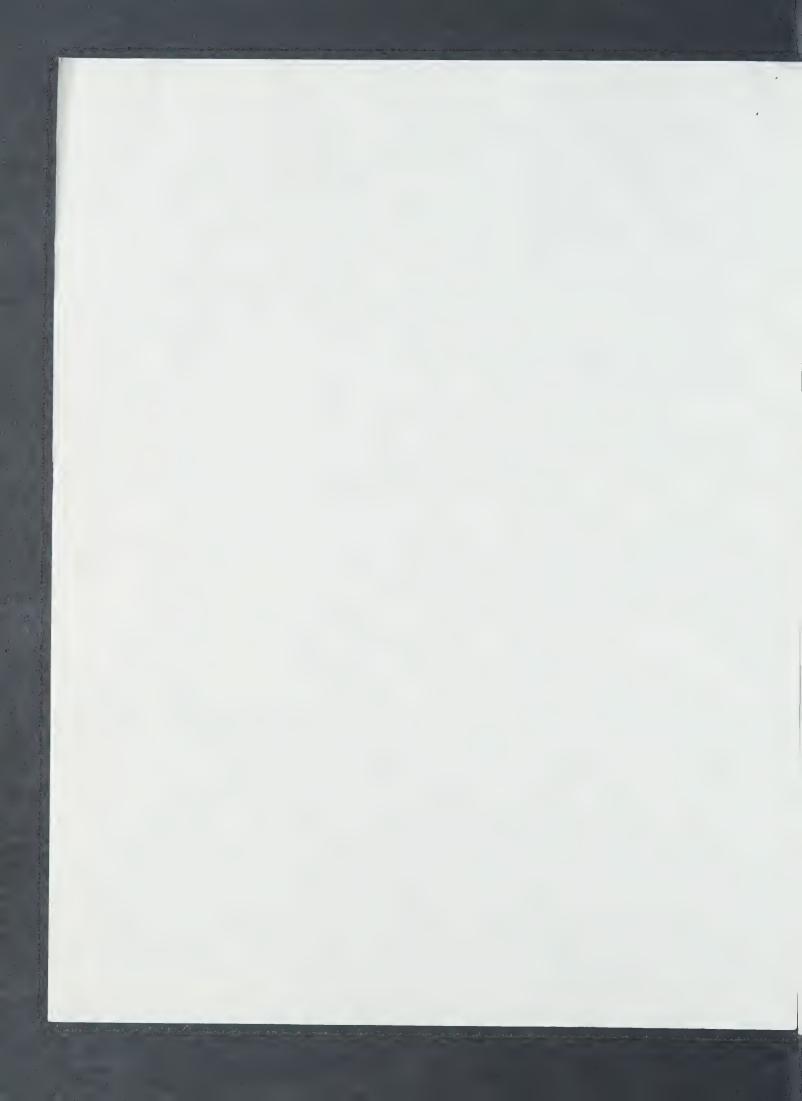
I thought that you might be interested to know that we have made a grant application to the Endowment for the Humanities requesting support for an Index to Old Testament Subjects in the Visual Collections.

Thank you very much for your help.

Sincerely,

Helene E. Roberts

Curator of Visual Collections



# FINE ARTS LIBRARY FOGG ART MUSEUM · HARVARD UNIVERSITY · CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02138 July 27, 1983 Mr. Eugene Felsch Milwaukee Art Center 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53202

Dear Mr. Felsch,

Would it be possible to order a set of your slides for the exhibition "The Bible through Dutch Eyes" shown at the Milwaukee Art Center in 1976.

I have a set in my possession, lent to me by Bill Robinson. If it is not possible to acquire another set from you for the Visual Collections, would it be possible to have your permission to copy this set?

Thank you for all your help. We would like very much to have the paintings in this exhibition represented in our collection.

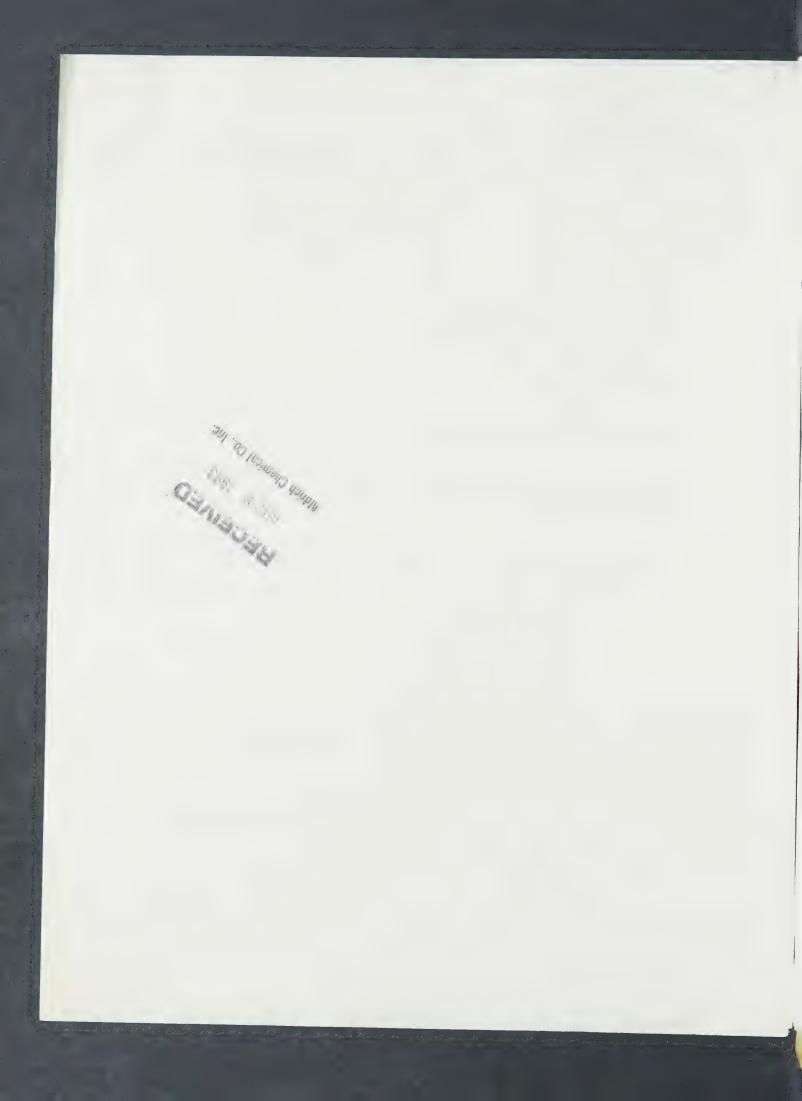
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Sincerely,

Helene E. Roberts Curator of Visual Collections

Copy: Dr. Alfred Bader



# ART MUSEUMS

32 QUINCY ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

BUSCH-REISINGER MUSEUM FOGG ART MUSEUM ARTHUR M. SACKLER MUSEUM

October 12, 1983

To: Art Museums Visiting Committee

Once again it is my pleasure to extend a most cordial welcome to the upcoming Visiting Committee meeting on November 6 and 7. The enclosed agenda delineates our schedule for the meetings, but if there is a topic you would like to discuss which is not included, I hope you will let me know.

Unfortunately, for reasons of safety and logistics, we will not be able to give you a tour of the inside of the new Museum. We will do our best to remedy this with complete look at the exterior and a slide presentation of the interior.

As you can see by the letterhead, the excellent suggestion received at last year's Visiting Committee meeting has been adopted and we are now operating under the designation of the Harvard Art Museums.

I look forward to seeing you in Cambridge on November 6.

Charles C. Cunningham, Jr.

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February 6, 1984

Ms. Bernice Loss Harvard Law School Harvard University Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Ms. Loss?

Please accept my sincere thanks for sending me the photocopy of the engraving of Tepper's painting of Judge Brandeis.

At your convenience and whenever you can find a POLAROID camera to use, I would appreciate such a snapshot of the Brandeis painting and of the painting of Prof. Paul Freund.

Best personal regards,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh



May 15, 1984

Mr. Michael Castellana
Curatorial Assistant
Art Collection
Harvard Law School
HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Castellana:

Thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me the enclosed photograph, but please note that I had asked for a snapshot of the painting by Tepper, not Comins.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh

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#### HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

CAMBRIDGE · MASSACHUSETTS · 02138 Art Collection 495-3150

May 4, 1984

Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman-Aldrich Chemical Co. P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201

Dear Dr. Bader:

Here is the color photograph you requested of Louis Dembitz
Brandeis by Eben Comins (oil on canvas, 94 x 59 in.). We hope that it will convey some idea at least of what the painting is like. (The lower right-hand corner is really darker than shown, but it is the best we could do under the circumstances.)

Sincerely,

Michael Castellana Curatorial Assistant Art Collection





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Dr. Alfred Bader

May 15, 1984

Mr. Michael Castellana
Curatorial Assistant
Art Collection
Harvard Law School
HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Castellana:

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Best regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

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Sorry.





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

June 18, 1984

Dr. William Robinson The Fogg Museum Harvard University Cambridge Massachusetts 20138

Dear Bill:

Do you know the Maes portrait of the enclosed photograph, at the museum in Basel? I really got angry because it is such a beautiful painting and truly falling apart. The paint is loose and you can see specs of the paint on the carpet below the painting. Basel is one of the richest cities in the world and they recently had a plebiscite whether to spend millions to acquire some Picasso's. And here they have a marvelous Maes, truly going to pot.

What do you think of the Jesus with two mockers of the enclosed photograph? The painting was accepted as van Dyck by Burchard and Bernt and was in the van Dyck exhibition in Genoa in 1955. However, it certainly is not my idea of the young van Dyck, but it may be hard to tell how he painted when copying Titian. The key question is, of course, whether the painting was modeled by van Dyck after the drawing at Chatsworth which is certainly by van Dyck.

Could I impose on you to discuss this interesting problem with Seymour and, if possible, with Konrad.

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Fond regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosure



September 26, 1984

Prof. Konrad Oberhuber
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Konrad:

I am enclosing copy of rather worrisome correspondence with Mrs. Bernt to alert you to bow emotional and unpredictable she is. Under the circumstances, it would really be wise for the Fogg to have a good deal of correspondence about her collection of photographs and books, and if at all possible, a written agreement.

Please don't think for a moment that I treated her badly, either about the painting of Jesus or the landscape. The painting of Jesus is certainly related to van Dyck but many art historians have told me that it could not possibly be by van Dyck. Bill Robinson showed a good photograph to Seymour who also confirmed that van Dyck is impossible. Regarding the landscape, she asked me last year whether I was interested in buying it and now she is too deeply hurt!

I have just heard from Charlie Cunningham that there will not be an Overseers Committee meeting on November 4. Would a visit that weekend or on the fifth be convenient to you, anyway?

Fond regards,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh

Enclosure



March 13, 1985



Prof. Konrad Oberhuber The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Konrad:

This is to confirm our discussion regarding my possible gift of funds for the Fogg Museum to purchase the Adoration of the Shepherds by Christoph Schwarz which will be auctioned at Christie's in New York in the middle of June.

The Fogg Museum will bid up to \$30,000 net (\$33,000 gross which includes Christie's 10% surcharge), and if you purchase the painting I will immediately transfer to Harvard University, Sigma-Aldrich stock for that value so that you can pay for the painting promptly.

If you wish to bid more than \$33,000 gross, but less than \$44,000 gross, then I will turn over to Harvard Sigma-Aldrich stock valued at \$33,000 plus 50% of the amount above \$33,000.

I have full faith in the integrity of Mr. Ian Kennedy at Christie's in New York, and if you will be out of the country in June, you can safely leave your bid with him.

I also will be out of the country in June. After the sale, please ask someone at the Fogg to call my secretary, Marilyn Hassmann, and she will instruct the broker at Robert W. Baird & Co., Mr. William Schield who makes a market in Sigma-Aldrich stock, to confirm that he has the requisite amount of Sigma-Aldrich stock at Baird and Harvard will then have to instruct him that it wishes to sell the stock for the amount needed. The decision to sell must be Harvard's.

We are all human, and I am sharing a copy of this letter with my wife so that she knows that this gift will be an obligation on the estate in case I am no longer around.

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Prof. Konrad Oberhuber The Fogg Museum March 13, 1985 Page Two

If, per chance, someone else wants the painting so badly that they would be willing to pay more, then do not worry: Undoubtedly you will help me find something else for the Fogg.

Fond regards,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh cc: Mr. William Schield





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

March 13, 1985

Prof. Seymour Slive
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 01238

Dear Seymour:

At last I have the British export permit for the  $\underline{\text{Winter Landscape}}$  and enclose photographs.

The exact size requires explanation. The restorer who lined this painting many years ago did something quite unusual. Careless restorers just cut off the tacking edges on relining. Most careful restorers made the stretcher exactly the same size as the painting and then folded the original canvas back as it had been done by the artist. This restorer left the edges forward and then made a bigger stretcher. The size of  $14 \times 12-1/4$ " is the actual size of the paint surface, but if anyone measures the painting from the back will get considerably different dimensions. Thus comparisons based on size in the older literature may be misleading.

The painting is fully signed on the lower left, and I hope soon to be able to show you the original.

You know that Wolfgang Stechow was one of my oldest art historian friends. Do you think that he would have minded my quoting him so fully in a description of a painting which he had never seen. This is intended for a future issue of our Aldrichimica Acta.

Best personal regards,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh



THAT MIND CHILL ST ART N.USBUMO March 19, 1985 Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman Sigma-Aldrich P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, WI 53201 Dear Dr. Bader: I appreciated your letter of January 24, 1985, and I would like to thank you for your patience regarding your gift record. It is on this matter that I would like to provide further clarification. I regret to say that as a means of providing equitable and consistent crediting, it is Harvard University policy that gifts of stock are valued at the date of receipt and at that point cease to accrue or depreciate in value in the donor's name. Therefore, interest earned on these gifts by the University cannot constitute credit towards a donor's pledge. As a result, the University credits you for \$92,250 to the Museums' Stabilization Fund, for which we are extremely grateful. With your approval, I will be happy to adjust your pledge to the above amount so that it stands complete. Please let me know what you would like us to do. Thank you again for your support. Sincerely, Assistant Director for Finance LKF/mls

PAUL ARTHUR, JR.

11 BRANDYWINE BOULEVARD
EDGEWOOD HILLS
WILMINGTON, DEL. 19809

March 20 1985

Rear Dr Bader:

With great pleasure

Dook forward to meeting you

and the chance I showing you

the Dutch painting.

Please let me know who is

arranging your ACS talk April2x

"Chewistry in Art and I will try

to coordinate things with him.

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman May 8, 1985

Prof. Konrad Oberhuber
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Konrad:

Thank you much for your willingness to help me with that triple portrait by or after Lotto.

Enclosed please find the X-rays which you have seen before, as well as five slides, one of the entire painting and four details. Enclosed also is a note from my very competent restorers pointing out that these are their only slides which I must return to them, in time. I would really appreciate your looking at them in Vienna, when you have a chance to look at the original there, also.

It is of course conceivable that Lotto might have made three versions, particularly if this is indeed a portrait of three different men.

Apropos Vienna, I have asked the museum several times to allow me to purchase a standard 2 x 2" slide of their <u>Jacob's Dream</u> by Fetti. You will recall that you had my version on loan to the Fogg and like it as much as I do. The museum never replied. I don't really like to impose on you so much, but perhaps you might have better luck getting a slide, which I would love to use in one of my talks.

This is also to confirm that the Adoration of the Shepherds by Christoph Schwarz will be sold by Christie's in New York as Lot 117 on June 5, and I hope that evening it will belong to the Fogg. Marilyn Hassmann, my secretary, awaits a call from the Fogg.

Am I crazy to consider a five-acre canvas attributed to Hans von Aachen?

Have a wonderful trip to Veinna and Prague.

Fond regards,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosures





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

May 13, 1985

Prof. Seymour Slive
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

Surely you will have realized how very much we enjoyed your visit. Please do come again soon.

I am just on my way to England and so can enclose only the two black and white photographs which I have on hand. I will get the other two made after our return at the end of July.

I am embarrassed at being the inadvertent carrier of misinformation about my Ruisdael landscape. As you will see from the enclosed, that came from a Bernt expertise written several years before I bought the painting.

Fond regards,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh

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## ART MUSEUMS

32 QUINCY ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

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June 20, 1985

Dr. Alfred Bader Aldrich Chemical Co., Inc. 940 West St. Paul Avenue Milwaukee WI 53201

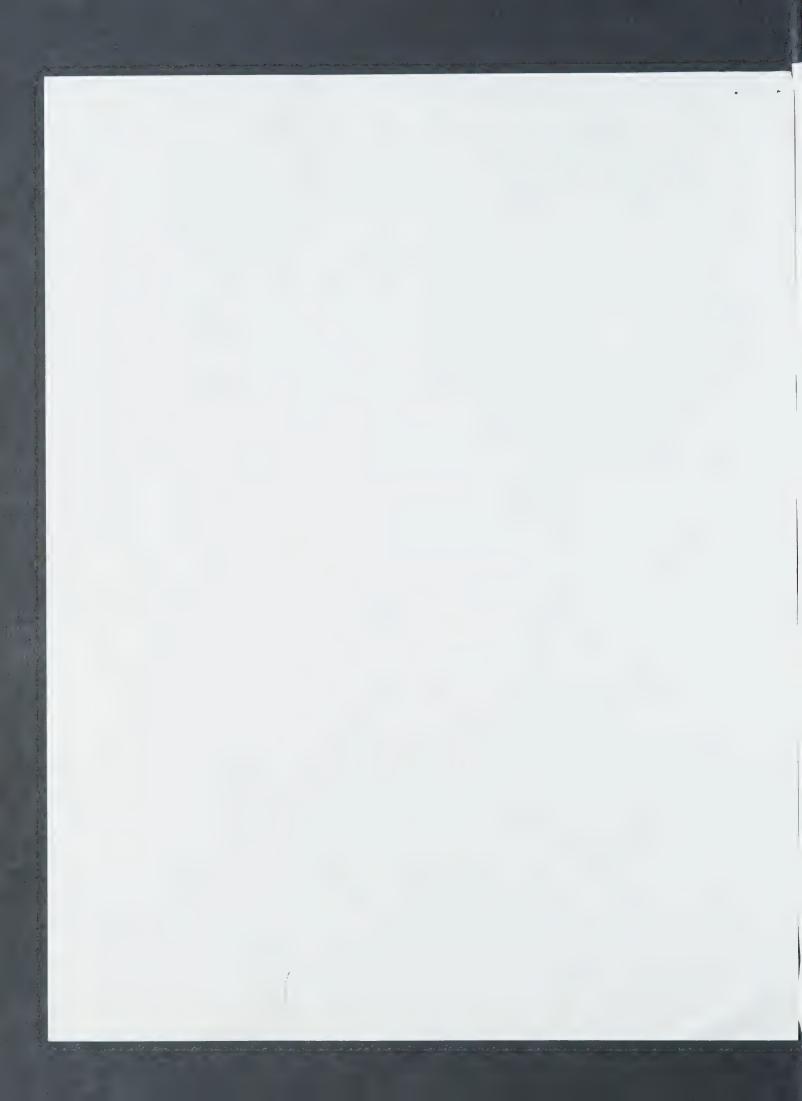
Dear Alfred,

I am extremely excited about the purchase of the Christoph Schwarz and thank you very much for your great gift that made it possible. I just spoke a few days ago about it to Heinrich Geissler and he thinks that it is the finest Schwarz in existence. It will be a real accent in our collection where 16th century paintings are still rather rare.

I have compared your Lotto x-rays with the ones in Vienna and they are very different from Lotto's mode of construction. Lotto's painting in Vienna is built up from very abstract and geometrical designs similar to Titian's and Carpaccio's drawings. The x-rays of your picture on the other hand does not show any such constructive underpainting. However the painting caused a tremendous excitement in the Kunsthistoriches Museum because it shows the painting before it was cut down at the bottom. In fact the composition of the Vienna picture suffered greatly from the absence of the hands visible in your version. The curators at the Kunsthistoriches Museum would love to have a photograph. Please send one to Dr. Wolfgang Prohaska.

I had very lengthy discussions with the Director of the National Gallery of Prague and with various other people there including the American Ambassador of your project of a scholarship. The problem with your candidate seems to be that one of her relatives has recently left for the west and it would be impossible for her to get a visa for America at this moment. This however, they cannot not admit publicly. The reason given that she is very young and has not yet finished any major work is however a valid one.

There are many very nice people at the National Gallery and at other Czech institutions that are highly competent and could profit from fellowships and the only way to get the project going is not to take too hard a line and to allow Kotalik to have a word in the choice. I think that the letter by James McCredie was rather unfortunately worded and hard in tone. This is not the way to achieve results in Czechoslovakia. Kotalik



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seemed strongly offended and I have to admit that he was right. Some conciliatory formula ought to be worked out in which Prague can make suggestions of the candidates allowing New York a choice of one. For some of the people a whole year is also a very long time to be away from their jobs and families so the possibility of a semester should perhaps also be offered.

Prague is so wonderful that I feel in a way you should make a trip there and settle everything in an amicable fashion. I assure you that there are many worthy non-communist art historians there, many more than communist ones, and that in the course of time it would be impossible to send only idealogically selected candidates.

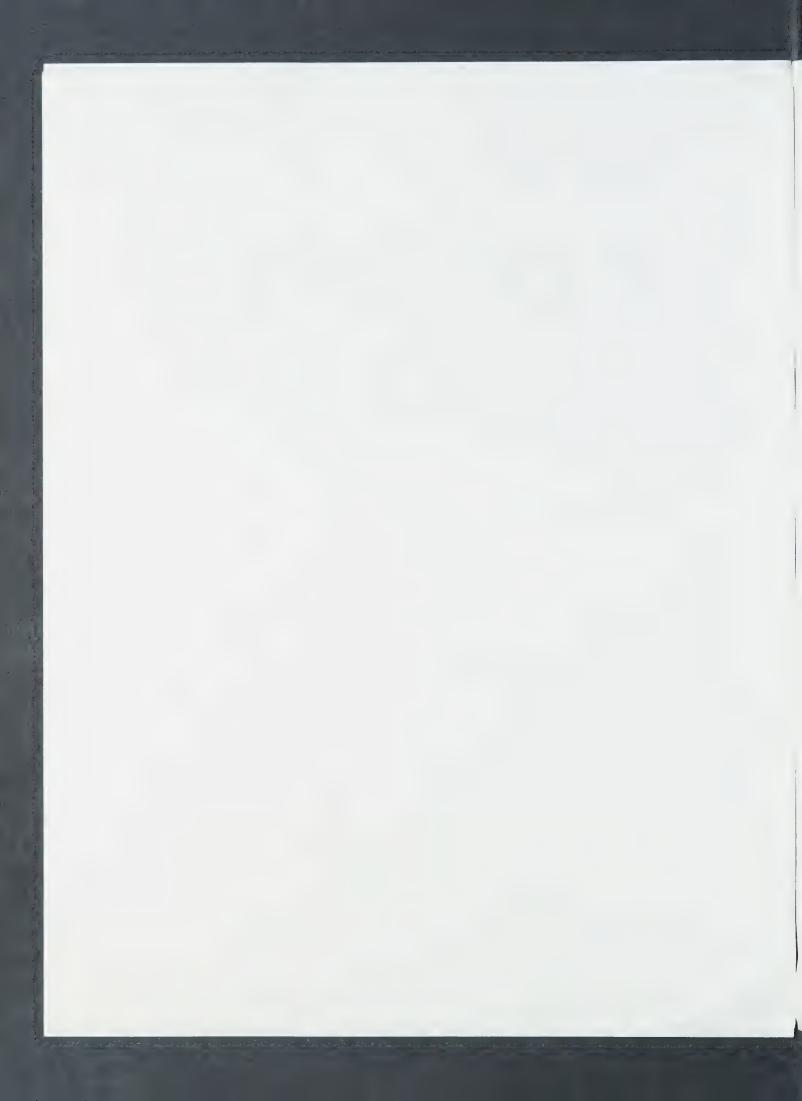
All the best.

Sincerely,

Konrad Oberhuber

Ian Woodner Curator of Drawings

and Professor of Fine Arts



### ART MUSEUMS

32 QUINCY ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

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June 20, 1985

James R. McCredie Director New York University Institute of Fine Arts 1 East 78th Street New York, NY 10021

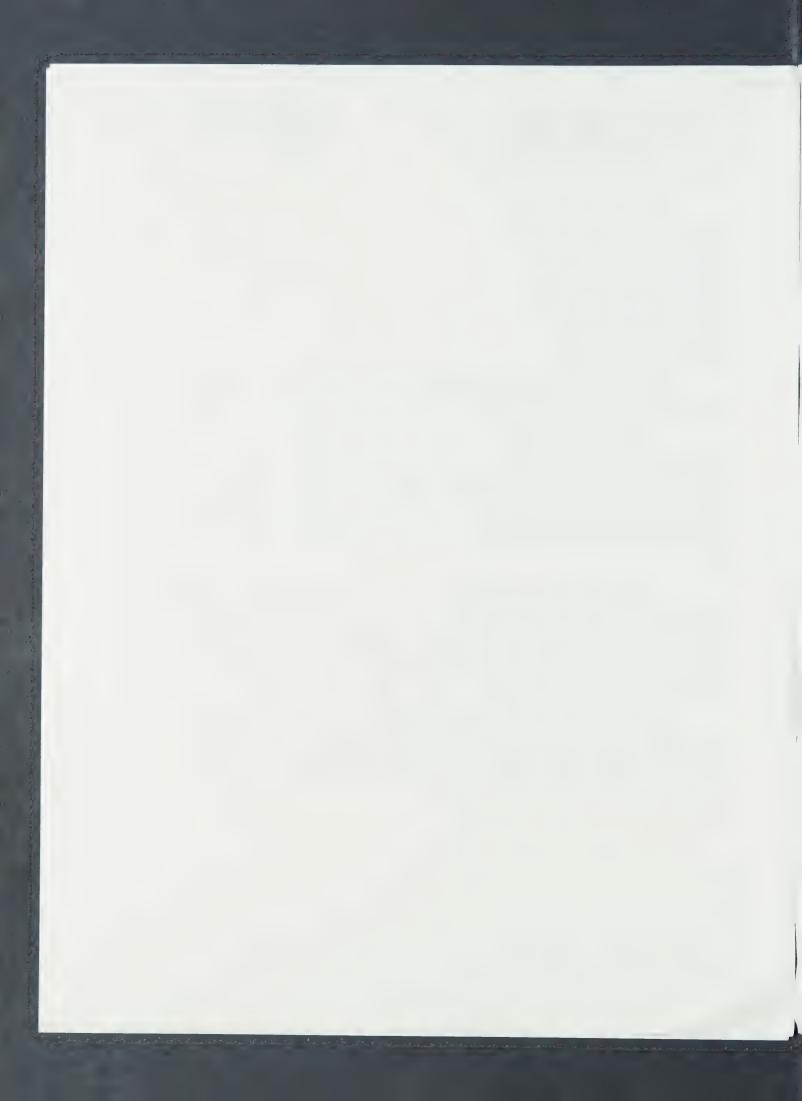
Dear Mr. McCredie,

I've just returned from Prague and would like to report the results of my conversation with Mr. Kotalik and other art historians in Prague, as well as with the American Ambassador.

I should perhaps say that Mr. Kotalik, even though he is slightly difficult, is extremely respected in his country and has done absolutely magnificent work in re-arranging the Prague galleries. All of his assistants whom I met, seem to be outstanding and highly competent art historians and would all be worthy of the fellowships Dr. Bader offers. The only exception to this might be the Assistant Director there who seems to be the gallery politician and whose function seems primarily administrative.

I have to tell you that Mr. Kotalik was somewhat offended by the direct and somewhat hard line tone of your letter because he on his part has tried hard to be as conciliatory as possible. The problem about Dr. Stefanova seems to be that one of her relatives has just left the country for the west and it would be impossible for her to receive a visa for a lengthy stay abroad. This is something that cannot be officially admitted and Mr. Kotalik has to live with the instructions of the Ministry.

I think that in the long run everybody is better served by a conciliatory tone in which you allow Prague a word in the choice of candidates. I would suggest that you allow them to provide you with a list of possible candidates from which you can select one. Obviously long absences from the galleries



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as well as from their families is difficult for the curators who are quite busy right now with their work. A half year scholarship may therefore also be helpful.

I hope that this will work out in the future.

All the best.

Sincerely,

Konrad Oberhuber

Ian Woodner Curator of Drawings and Professor of Fine Arts

c. Dr. Bader





#### aldrich chemical company, inc.

Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

August 26, 1985

Prof. Konrad Oberhuber
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Avenue
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Konrad:

Please accept my sincere thanks for all your help, both in Prague and with the comparison of my painting with the Lotto in Vienna. I will have some restoration done on my painting and when that is completed will send photographs to you and Vienna.

"The best laid plans of mice and men" - you will recall how carefully I briefed my stockbroker what to do with my gift of Sigma-Aldrich stock to the Fogg to pay for the purchase of The Adoration at Christie's. Nonetheless, he messed it up, and the actual amount received by the Fogg fell some \$400 short. Also, the freight from New York to Cambridge was not paid for. Please allow me to adjust this when next I make a gift, hopefully soon. I will then just add an additional thousand dollars to pay for the differences.

Please consider carefully whether we could not follow the same scheme, but while I am in the country, in getting the Pontormo to the Fogg.

You know how little I know about Italian and German paintings, and I am wondering whether you might help me with possible attributions of the four paintings, photographs of which I enclose:

- 1. A Caritas Romana which was sold at a small auction entitled "Lot and one of his Daughters"! Am I correct in thinking that this is 18th century, Venetian.
- 2. A small sketch, very light in color, of "John Baptizing Jesus". Is this Roman and 18th century? It would be fun to be able to locate the finished painting.
- 3. A very unconcerned St. Sebastian. Is this late 17th century Venetian?



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4. Last and to me most important, a ghastly Jesus, dated 1538. The artist must have been a very erudite fellow who knew both the Bible--Isaiah 53--and Latin. He combined the subject of Jesus with the crown of thorns with that of Jesus as the Savior, and the painting is wonderfully well painted and so frightening to look at. I don't know German artists well, and the closest I have seen are works by very cold artist, Baldung Grien.

Many thanks for all your help, and best personal regards from Isabel and  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{me}}$ .

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh

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#### HARVARD UNIVERSITY ART MUSEUMS

32 QUINCY ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

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September 6, 1985

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Bader 2961 N. Shepard Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53211

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Bader:

We have received the Loan Agreement form for your generous loan of the RUISDAEL, Winter Landscape, thank you. It seems that the question of a desired credit line was somehow overlooked, and it is difficult to determine from past loans how you might like to be listed.

Would you kindly reply to this office at your earliest convenience to answer this question? A standard format for a credit line would be "Loan - Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Bader "

Enclosed is your copy of the long term loan receipt for this painting. Again, thank you for your generosity. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Aldebray Longabaugh Ms. Aldebran Longabaugh ( Assistant to the Registrar

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This is fine

Best regards

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

November 26, 1985

Prof. Konrad Oberhuber
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 20138

Dear Konrad:

I am sure that you will find the letter from Mrs. Bernt as disconcerting as I do. I have sent a copy also to Seymour, asking him to write to her and eventually, on his next trip to Germany, to visit with her.

Isabel and I very much look forward to seeing you on Sunday, January 13th. We will arrive in Boston the previous Thursday evening, and I will be in touch with you on the Friday, to arrange for time and place to meet.

May I ask you for your help with the following: Some 3 or 4 years ago I left a not very valuable, early 19th century American portrait drawing with Bill Robinson, asking him for help to arrange to have some restoration done in your conservation laboratories. I explained that the drawing is not very valuable and that I would not like to spend a great deal on it.

On my last several visits I have talked to the conservator, a very nice lady whose name is, I believe, Mrs. Cohen, and during our last conversation she promised that she would have it ready for my next visit. Could you please remind her of this and allow me to pick it up that Friday. We so look forward to seeing you. Right now, we are off to England and hope to come back with some good paintings.

All Good Wishes of the Season.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

Janauary 2, 1985

Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

Thank you for your gracious letter.

Isabel and I plan to spend the weekend of January 11th in Boston, and I am wondering whether we might visit with you that Saturday the 11th to discuss the problem of Mrs. Bernt's collection.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

February 19, 1986

Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour,

Thank you for your beautiful letter of February 13, and for the copy of your letter to Mrs. Bernt. If that does not move her, then nothing will.

I am sure that you and I have heard of a great many examples of chuzpah. Let me add another, Alfred Bader correcting an entry by Seymour Slive. The only redeeming feature is that the correction is of a German quotation, i.e., a language with which I am more familiar.

Could you please let me know what the reference to Bode 1890, pp. 237-38 is; the reference I have (Xerox enclosed) is on pp. 41-42.

The seller of my winter landscape was Major J. C. F. Gundry, and I enclose a description of his house, where the painting hung since 1907. Major Gundry told me that his parents had had three daughters, and when he was born in 1907, his father went to London to celebrate a son's birth by purchasing that painting. Major Gundry did not ask that these facts, including his ownership, be kept confidential.

I am surprised that anyone really purchased the county museum's landscape; I looked at it carefully before the sale and did not like it at all.

I much look forward to hearing from you after your visit to Mrs. Bernt.

Fond regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosure





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Dr. Alfred Bader

March 21, 1986

Mr. E. Peter Bowron
Director
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Bowron:

As discussed with Mr. Cunningham, please find enclosed my check for \$975.00 as a gift to the Harvard museums, this being my contribution towards the gift in honor of Prof. Seymour Slive.

You will recall that some months ago we discussed with you and Prof. Oberhuber my suggestion that I put up my Pontormo for sale at Christie's, and that I give to the Fogg Museum up to \$200,000.00 to purchase this painting. You know from your experience with the painting which I gave last year, that we can trust Ian Kennedy's integrity completely.

I sensed that you had some reservations, mainly because of concern that someone else might top the Fogg Museum's bid. I don't think that this is really a very serious concern, but if someone else does, I believe that Konrad Oberhuber would help us purchase something else very good, for the Fogg.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader
AB:mmh
Enclosure
cc: Prof. Konrad Oberhuber



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BUSCH-REISINGER MUSEUM FOGG ART MUSEUM ARTHUR M. SACKLER MUSEUM

14 April, 1986

Dear Mrs. Bernt:

I returned to Cambridge yesterday with indelible memories of my visits with you in your beautiful home and of its great treasures.

I still find it difficult to find words in any language to thank you for your munificent offer of the Walther Bernt Collection of photos and reproductions of Netherlandish paintings to Harvard University.

To scholars and students of Dutch and Flemish art the gift of about 80,000 photos and reproductions of works done in the Low Lands is priceless. Our students, faculty and visiting specialists will give the most precious, well-ordered Collection hard and frequent use. Their permanent debt to you for your enormous generosity is boundless. Our unshakable resolution to use the Collection to increase the understanding and enjoyment of Netherlandish art will be an expression of our gratitude to you for the gift. There can be no question that future students of Netherlandish art who use our resources will share our feelings.

I have not yet had an opportunity to discuss with my colleagues your suggestion that we buy the collection of catalogues that accompanies the photos. I did not want to wait until I had done so before writing to you. I shall contact you regarding that matter soon.

I find it as difficult to thank you adequately for your kindness to me during my visits with you as to extend my thanks on behalf of Harvard and its budding and mature art historians for your offer of the Collection. You could not have been more gracious, more hospitable, or more helpful The loan you made to me of 22 precious photos from the Collection for my current research puts me enormously in your debt. I shall have photos of the originals made as quickly as possible and post them to you as soon as they are ready.

After my departure you must have found additional evidence that I have outstanding credentials as a zerstreuter Professor. I forgot to take the photos of your lovely Vianen and Bisschop/Huyg/Ins drawings with me. I also failed to ask you if I could borrow photos of the van der Haagen we discussed, a rare, fully signed Gillis Rombouts, and yet another Rombouts that I put aside. Once again I can say that Freud would have found my absentmindedness sehr bedeutsam! He would have said that it means that I am more than eager to return to Mottlstrasse 13!



And I can say that he would have been absolutely right! I feel that there is not only a gold mine of material for my work there but at that address I have found something perhaps even more valuable: a new friend.

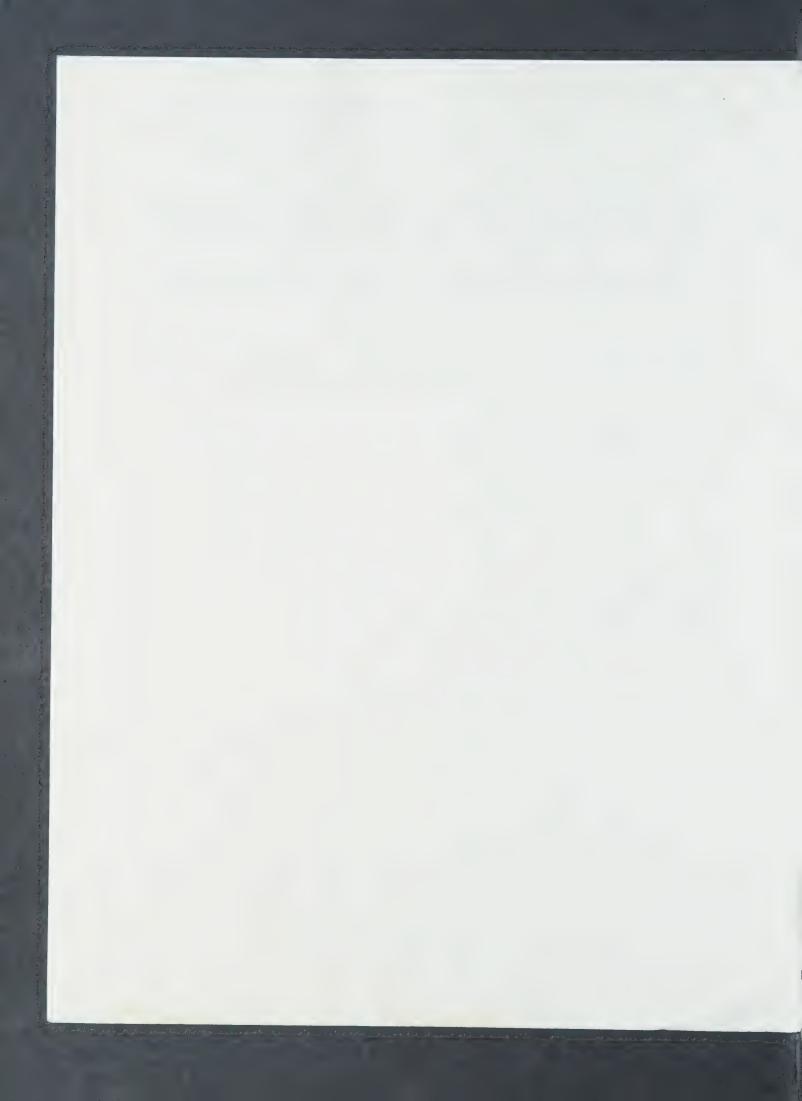
With repeated deep thanks for all you have done for Harvard and with warmest best wishes from

Endlessly grateful,

Seymour Slive Gleason Professor of Fine Arts former Director of the Harvard Art Museums

Mrs. Ellen Bernt Mottlstrasse 13 8000 Munich 40 FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

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32 QUINCY ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

BUSCH-REISINGER MUSEUM FOGG ART MUSEUM ARTHUR M. SACKLER MUSEUM

14 April, 1986

Dear Alfred:

I returned to Cambridge from Munich yesterday and want to hasten to thank you once again for making the expedition possible.

The copy of the enclosed letter to Mrs. Bernt will give you an idea of the spirit of my visits with her. She really could not have been more friendly or kinder.

I had a good go at the well-ordered photo collection. According to her estimate it contains about 80,000 images. Even if that estimate is a bit high it remains a stupendous treasure. I can add that about half of the images are first-rate photos and the others are eminently usuable. I am pleased to report that she promised to give the collection to us.

The collection of sale and collection catalogues is also of great value. It would fill significant gaps in our holdings. Her catalogue of the catalogues lists 1391 items, plus some "bis" numbers. It is helpfully arranged both chronologically and alphabetically; of particular value to us are the 19th and early 20th century catalogues and numerous German and Dutch catalogues.

On my final visit she stated she would probably want to sell the catalogues to us. This was a new and unexpected twist. I responded that we would be most interested in considering her proposal but of course I must discuss it with my Harvard colleagues. I did not think it prudent to begin discussing the price or noting that we need some catalogues but others would be redundant (e.g., Christie's and Sotheby's) when I virtually had a foot on a plane for Boston. I shall discuss this matter with Wolfgang Freitag and other colleagues here.

I want to stress that purchase of the catalogues was not in any way linked to the gift of the photos. In the end, if she really decides to sell them we will need the price and a copy of her catalogue to collate with our present holdings. But I would be less than candid if I did not tell you that I believe that it would be worth making an effort to convince her that she should give them too. Possibly she will. I remain the perpetual optomist. I look forward to comparing notes with you on this



delicate subject and receiving your Solomonic counsel.

Mrs. Bernt asked to be remembered warmly to both you and Isabel. I, in turn, want to send you my deepest thanks for your monumental concrete help in furthering the study of Netherlandish art at Harvard and my fondest best wishes to you both.

Yours ever,

Leymon

Dr. Alfred Bader 2961 N. Shepard Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53211

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BUSCH-REISINGER MUSEUM FOGG ART MUSEUM ARTHUR M. SACKLER MUSEUM

May 1, 1986

Alfred Bader Aldrich Chemical Company, Inc. P. O. Box 355 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201

Dear Alfred,

I enclose the letter I have sent to Villa I Tatti since this seems to be the only way to obtain permission for a visit. Forgive me that it took so long to find out who is responsible. I would also like to report that three of our students were able to go to New York and New Haven on an excursion to see drawings because of the money you had given primarily for Seymour's visit to Munich. We saw, amongst others, the collections of Janos Scholz, Emile Wolf and Mrs. Steiner with quite a number of Dutch paintings and drawings. Thank you so much.

I might perhaps tell you that this spring a crisis took place among our graduate students who had hoped to travel to Europe on some kind of grant from the Department. Some funds had been available in past years from a California foundation close to Seymour, which, however, have now run out and cannot really be renewed because the foundation's monies have to support primarily Californians. Even small amounts of around \$5,000-\$10,000/ year could produce miracles and provide much needed exposure to originals for our students. I feel badly about asking you continuously for money, and this is not meant as a request but rather as an idea of how you could help a lot of students here if you would like to. A Bader Fund for Summer Travel would be truly great.

Have a wonderful trip to Italy and please give my regards to Mrs. Middeldorf--I see that you are true friends. Seymour came back from his stay with Mrs. Bernt in high spirits, and I truly hope all will work out well. The Christoph Schwarz is hanging in the Busch and looks splendid there. It really adds a new dimension to our sixteenth-century collection.

Time flies -- I really would like to visit you soon. I hope we can work something out in the Fall.

All the best,

Konrad Oberhuber

Ian Woodner Curator of Drawings

Professor of Fine Arts



32 QUINCY ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

BUSCH-REISINGER MUSEUM FOGG ART MUSEUM ARTHUR M. SACKLER MUSEUM

May 1, 1936

Dr. Louise Clubb Villa I Tatti Via di Vincigliata, 26 50135 Florence Italy

Dear Dr. Clubb,

Dr. Alfred Bader and his wife, Isabel, great supporters of Harvard and particularly of the Harvard University Art Museums and Department of Fine Arts, are going to go to Italy this coming June. On the 14th and 15th they will be in Florence to visit Mrs. Middeldorf. They have never visited Villa I Tatti and would therefore be extremely happy if a visit could be arranged. They realize that the dates are a Saturday and Sunday and therefore most likely a difficult date for a visit, but if anything could be done, they and we here at the Fogg would be most grateful to you. Could you please inform them directly of your decision at the following address?:

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Bader c/o Aldrich Chemical Company, Inc. P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201 USA

You could also leave a message with Mrs. Middeldorf.

Thank you most sincerely,

Konrad Oberhuber

Ian Woodner Curator of Drawings

Professor of Fine Arts





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

May 7, 1986

Prof. Konrad Oberhuber Harvard University Art Museums 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Konrad:

Thank you so much for your help with our trip to Florence.

When I read the second paragraph of your letter of May 1, I really didn't know whether to laugh or cry. You will recall that some two or three years ago I discussed with Bill Robinson exactly that problem. I had originally wanted to set up a traveling fellowship and/or traveling fund at Harvard, and at the Institute of Fine Arts in New York. My purpose in making donations has always been to help students, rather than very wealthy universities such as Harvard. When I inquired about such an endowed fellowship, the Institute in New York told me that there would be a guaranteed income of 10%; at Harvard, only 5%, with the balance going into the coffers of the university. Under the circumstances, Isabel and I have endowed two fellowships and a traveling grant at the Institute in New York. Please do try to understand what we are trying to do.

Isabel and I look forward to being at the visiting committee meeting in the middle of November, and may be in Cambridge very briefly on Friday, October 24, to pick up our Ruisdael.

Fond regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh



#### HARVARD UNIVERSITY ART MUSEUMS

32 QUINCY ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

May 30, 1986





BUSCH-REISINGER MUSEUM

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Dr. Alfred Bader Aldrich Chemical Company, Inc. P. O. Box 355 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201

Dear Alfred,

Thank you for your letter. I hope somehow you can arrange a visit at I Tatti after all; I am sorry that they cannot see you on Saturday.

I would just like to clarify one aspect of what you wrote; if I understand things correctly, Harvard's coffers are not simply swallowing up everything that goes beyond the 5% interest of the income of any fund given. They are, in fact, re-investing everything that exceeds the 5% so that the fund slowly increases and thus withstands the vicissitudes of inflation. I know that this cannot now change your mind. I did, in fact, not even think of an endowed fund but of an ad hoc gift of a few thousand dollars which if given every year could at least help us until we get an endowment, but I certainly do not want to pressure you.

I am looking forward to seeing you in November very much and know that I have to make time for a visit to Milwaukee very soon.

All the best,

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Konrad Oberhuber

Ian Woodner Curator of Drawings

Professor of Fine Arts

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June 4, 1986

Prof. Konrad Oberhuber Harvard University Art Museums 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Prof. Oberhuber:

Your letter of May 30 to Dr. Bader was received while he is out of the country, until the end of July. This matter will be brought to his attention when he returns to the office.

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Cordially,

Marilyn Hassmann Secretary to Dr. Bader





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

December 30, 1986

Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

I have just returned from a month in Europe and England where I was able to buy a very puzzling, exceedingly dark forest scene on panel, believed by H. de Groot really to be by Jacob van Ruisdael, HdeG 253A. It comes from the Radnor collection, Catalog No. 166, which states that the first Viscount Radnor bought this in the Bragge sale in 1743.

Do you know the painting and do you have a photograph?

The painting is certainly period, and exceedingly dark. Just last summer, we were looking at that very dark landscape in the Academy in Vienna and realized how tremendously dark such Ruisdael landscapes of the late 1640's have become.

I chatted with Mrs. Bernt who told me that the highlight of her last year was getting to know you.

If you do not know the Radnor painting, I will be delighted to bring it to Cambridge.

Best regards, and all good wishes for 1987.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh



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Dear Alfred -How wice to hear from you! All best wishes to you t Isabel for the new year! I loope it will be more same tean 1986!

I checked my files on Holy 253 a. It is howhere 50.700 (he dient know it) and appeared in Radnor's sale, Jourson (Elvisties) 27 July 1945, No. 47. Of course I am sager to see it! I don't have a private of it & never slaw one. Can you send me a good black & white for my files. I'll gladly tall you what I can from it

To this Berut took pleasure from my visit she has you to thank — since it is your good generous help that made the meeting possible. The is a faithful correspondent + her betters give me enormous pleasure.

Fordest best violes to your both.





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

January 9, 1987

Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

What a wonderful letter writer your are.

Thank you for your gracious letter of January 7.

The Radnor landscape, snapshot enclosed, is so very dirty and dark that I don't think that a black and white photograph would tell you much. With such pictures I always worry that it might be a Norwich school pastiche, but this is certainly not the case here, and you will have noticed that the virst Viscount Radnor bought it in the Bragge sale in 1743.

Do you think that Mrs. Cohn might be able to fit it into her restoration schedule? If so, I would gladly bring the panel to Cambridge and you can study it before and after cleaning. If, however, her schedule is so busy that she could not take it, then I will have it cleaned by my very good restorer near Madison and send you slides when it is completely stripped and a good photograph when restored. After that, I would also be happy to bring it to you.

Needless to say, I don't like this anywhere nearly as much as my other two Ruisdaels, but if indeed it is by Ruisdael I would like to keep it as a study piece.

Many thanks for all your help, and best personal regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosure



#### Center for Conservation and Technical Studies

Harvard University Art Museums, 32 Quincy Street, Cambridge, MA 02138-3883

(617) 495-2392

20 January 1987

Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman, Aldrich Chemical Company, Inc. P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, WI 53201

Dear Dr. Bader,

I have in hand copies of correspondence between you and Seymour Slive, concerning a painting attributed to Ruisdael, the "Radnor landscape." We shall be glad to have it come here for cleaning and invite you to bring or send it at your convenience. As it is on panel, "†d recommend only hand carrying until the weather moderates a little.

I have spoken to our painting conservator, Kate Olivier, about the work. Please get in touch directly with her, and also with our registrar, Jane Montgomery, when your plans are definite.

We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,

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Marjorie B. Cohn
Head Conservator
Philip and Lynn Straus Conservator
of Works of Art on Paper

cc: Kate Olivier Seymour Slive





## aldrich chemical company, inc.

Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

January 29, 1987

Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

Thank you for all your efforts with my dark forest scene.

Surely a great artist like JvR would not repeat his own composition. The surprising thing is that HdeG saw both and considered them autograph. A photograph—this one not taken with our trusty old camera obscura—is enclosed.

Fond regards,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh

Enclosure





## aldrich chemical company, inc.

Dr. Alfred Bader

February 9, 1987

Ms. Marjorie B. Cohn
Head Conservator
Center for Conservation and
Technical Studies
Harvard University Art Museums
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Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138-3883

Dear Ms. Cohn:

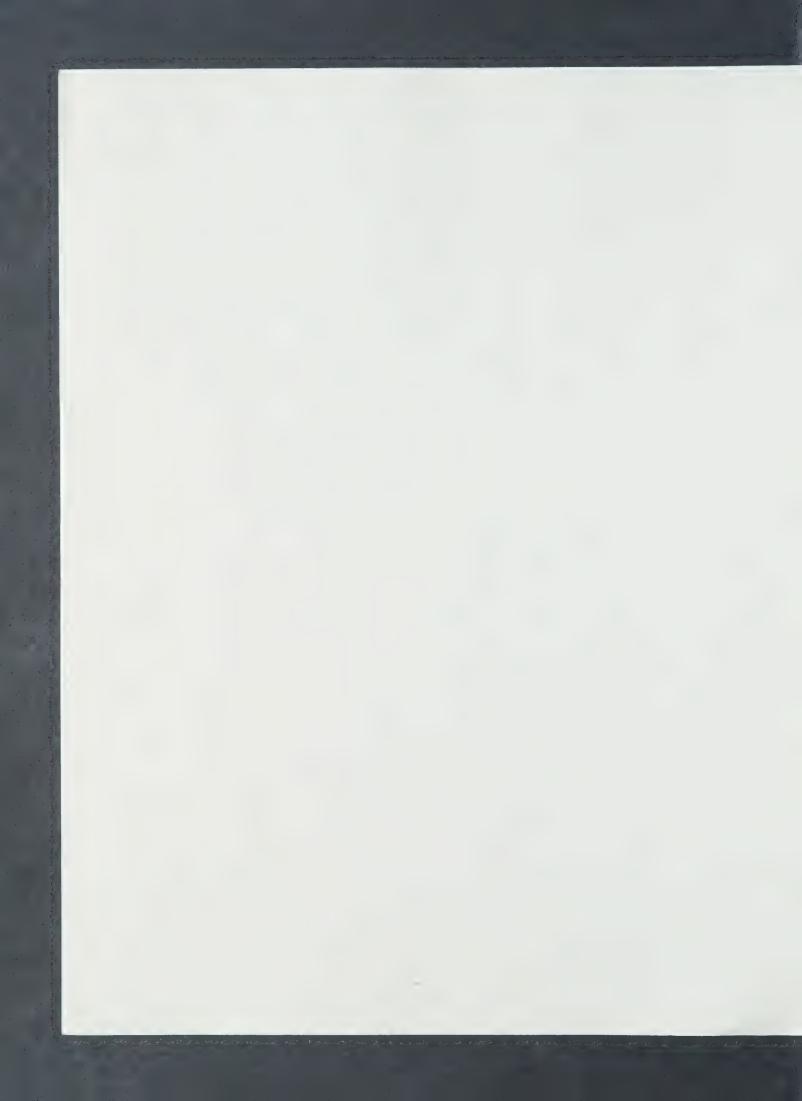
I am happy to have your gracious letter of January 20, advising that Ms. Kate Olivier would be willing to help with the cleaning of the Radnor landscape.

Unfortunately, I have heard, in the meantime, from Prof. Slive that there is no chance whatever that this could be by Jacob Ruisdael, and so I would rather leave the landscape as is. However, I hope that sometime in the future you will allow me to enlist your help with other, better paintings.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh





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Dr. Alfred Bader

March 13, 1987

Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

Thank you so much for your help with my dark landscape, and I apologize again for having used a camera obscura. When I was a boy of ten, an uncle gave me 10 Austrian schillings to buy a box camera then on sale for that price, and I used the money to buy a chalk drawing instead. That rather worried my uncle who wondered whether I might be mentally retarded, but the drawing is now in the Minneapolis Art Institute. I have never taken to cameras, and we use the cheapest Kodak camera available, just for identification of paintings we purchase.

I have traded the landscape with a dealer in Chicago. It has taught me not to rely too much on provenance.

I enclose photographs of three recent acquisitions. Of these, I like the round painting, which comes from the Spencer collection as Solomon de Bray, the best. The Ratcatcher is obviously after the Rembrandt print. I don't know what to make of the elegant Flemish man which is painted on top of an upside down portrait of a man whose eyes you can just discern. Perhaps this is a clever 19th century fake.

Fond regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosures





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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

March 27, 1987

Dr. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

Thank you so much for your most helpful letter of March 23rd.

Let me share with you why I acquire copies like the one of Caspar de Crayer.

The Milwaukee Art Museum has asked Isabel and me to be guest curators of an exhibition in 1988 on all sorts of problems of connoisseurship; problems of condition, authenticity, etc., etc. This copy is intriguing because of the painting underneath, and we'll see what the X-ray will show. I acquired it in a trade, at a negligible cost.

For the same reason I acquired two fragments and enclose photos, just for your amusement. The photo of the 16th century work, close to Heemskerk was taken with our camera obscura. The other fragment, now half cleaned, I really like; the colors—rich gold and red—are beautiful. When completely dirty I had hoped for a late Lievens, but now I think it's more likely to be a Haarlem mannerist. I'd like to exhibit it half—cleaned, but I am not sure whether I have the patience to wait three years. Perhaps lightning will strike and someone will find a drawing for the complete composition. The Christie's catalog called it a hermit saint—that it isn't.

The copy after the Rembrandt Ratcatcher print is old and in bright, light colors; slide is enclosed. I bought it to show in the exhibition with the print. For the same reason I attempted to buy the copy after the lost Baptism of the Eunuch, which was in today's Sotheby sale (No. 22), but I gave up. Over \$40,000 for a beautiful copy: genug is genug.

The Terbrugghen exhibition must be lovely, and I am afraid I'll miss it also. But surely you know most of the paintings--but it would be great to see them all together.

Fond regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader

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### aldrich chemical company, inc.

Dr. Alfred Bader

May 7, 1987

Prof. Konram Oberhuber
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

My Dear Konrad,

We have seen each other only a few times in the last years, and yet I do not know of any art historian whom I have gotten to like more, appreciate more and love more—in the best, true sense of the word. Your enthusiasm for great art is infectious, your knowledge is encyclopedic, your eye for great quality unfailing. And you are so generous in your advice.

Hence, you know how sad I am about your leaving Cambridge, and how worried I am about what the nasty aspects of society in Vienna—the backbiting, the ugly politics, the insincerity of Viennese charm will do to you and your family. Of course, I understand the positive: The Albertina has the world's greatest collection of drawings, and you are the most competent man to head it.

Please accept Isabel's and my very best wishes. We come to Vienna every June, and already look forward to seeing you in June of 1988.

Fond regards,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh



January 5, 1988



Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

Isabel and I spent the last five weeks in England and so can respond only now to your kind letter of November 20th.

Enclosed please find the photographs which you requested.

Abraham's Sacrifice by Solomon de Bray was bought by a very good friend, Mr. Ralph Emanuel at 61 Redington Road, London NW3. However, we had the painting in "The Bible through Dutch Eyes" exhibition and so I enclose my photograph from those files.

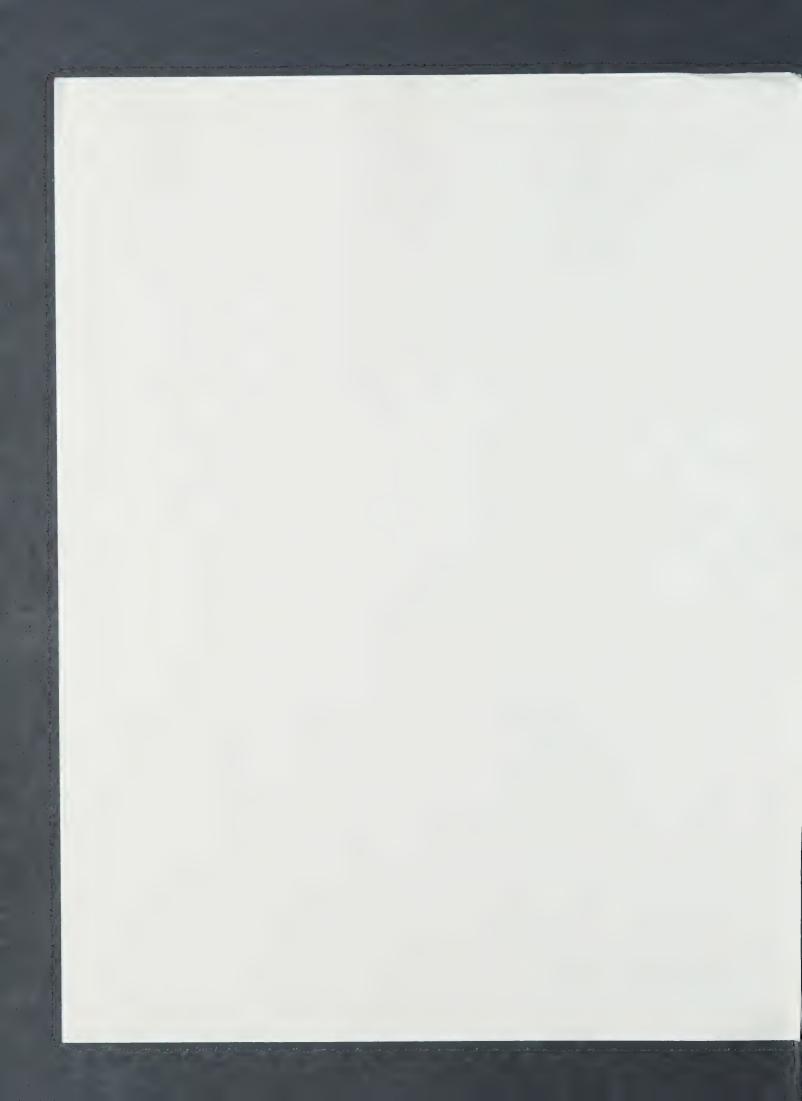
It was indeed Dr. Schapiro's intent to leave most of his paintings to the Hermitage. However, the Russians refused to pay the half million pounds which the British government demanded in what they call "Capital Transfer Tax" and so the two lady trustees had to sell a good many paintings. These were sold mainly at Christie's, and as you perhaps know, I bought quite a number. Whether the Hermitage ended up getting any paintings I just don't know. You probably know at least one of the two lady trustees, Mrs. Maison, whose late husband was the expert on Daumier.

I am sorry that a miserable flu kept me from coming to the November Overseers committee meeting, but I hope to have a chance to visit Cambridge and visit with you before long.

Fond regards and all good wishes for 1988.

As always,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosures



July 27, 1988

Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

I am sorry that a long trip to Europe has delayed my replying to your kind letter.

The portrait of Descartes by Nason is fully signed, Pieter Nason, and dated 1647. I am certain of the 164 but have some doubt about the 7. The location of the signature is marked on the enclosed and is actually just visible on the photograph. One of these days, I will have the painting cleaned, and we will then be more certain of the last digit.

We are sending you a copy of Rembrandt and the Bible in Japan, our Z16235-3, under separate cover.

Best pesonal regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader

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August 8, 1988



Mr. Peter Bowron, Director The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Bowron:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation of last Thursday regarding the Pontormo fragment.

We agreed that we would have this painting sold at Christie's at one of their major sales, probably next January. The Fogg Museum would bid up to \$360,000 so that, at most, The Fogg would pay \$360,000 plus 10%, i.e., \$396,000. If The Fogg acquires the painting, I, or my wife, or my estate will be obligated immediately to transfer to Harvard University the hammer price plus 10%, either in cash or in readily marketable stock.

In the rather unlikely event that some collector or dealer bids more than \$360,000, we will work closely with Bill Robinson to try to acquire one or more really good old master paintings with part or all of the proceeds.

If The Fogg Museum does acquire the Pontormo, you will note that this painting is our gift, given to The Fogg in honor of Prof. Freedberg.

Best personal regards,

Alfred Bader

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cc: Dr. William Robinson

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#### TELEPHONE CONVERSATION SUMMARY

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Harvard University Art Museums

August 23, 1988

Dr. Alfred Bader

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman Sigma-Aldrich P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, WI 53201

Dear Dr. Bader:

Thank you for your letter of August 8th confirming your agreement to sell the Pontormo fragment at Christie's and to enable us to bid up to \$360,000 so that we can acquire the painting for around \$396,000 including the 10% commission.

I am delighted at your generous proposal, and we shall keep our fingers crossed. We can discuss this in greater detail at the November Visiting Committee meeting, and I shall be in touch with Ian Kennedy after you have consigned the picture to Christie's. It may be that we will want a more precise letter of agreement than the letter of August 8th, but we can discuss that at the time.

I very much hope you will be able to come to the Visiting Committee meeting on November 13th and 14th. I look forward to seeing you again.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Edgar Peters Bowron

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Elizabeth and John Moors Cabot Director

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cc: William Robinson

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

August 23, 1988

Dr. William Robinson Curator of Drawings The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Bill:

I am so happy that I can now write to you at The Fogg Museum, and I hope that this will continue for the rest of my life.

As you may have learned from Peter Bowron, the transfer of the Pontormo is now all arranged, and I very much hope that it will end up at The Fogg. If not, I am sure that you will help me acquire something else of real beauty and importance for The Fogg.

Enclosed is a snapshot of my drawing.

Isabel and I have been really busy working on entries for a detective show to open at the Milwaukee Art Museum in January. It would be great if you could come and see it. Enclosed are copies of a few entries, rough drafts, to give you some idea what the show will be all about. May I impose on you to look particularly carefully at entries 11, the Maes portrait, and 21, your Abraham's Sacrifice.

Would it be possible for you to loan us your photographs of the Maes self-portrait, now in Dordrecht, required for entry 11, and your photographs for the five drawings needed for entry 21?

Of course, we would guard these very carefully and return them to you, perhaps by hand when I come to the Overseers' Committee meeting in November.

All good wishes to both of you for your new life in Cambridge.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader
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cc: Dr. James Mundy

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## aldrich chemical company, inc.

Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

August 26, 1988

Mr. Edgar Peter Bowron Elizabeth & John Moors Cabot Director The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Mr. Bowron:

Thank you for your kind letter of August 23rd.

Please just let me know what kind of more formal assurance you require, to cover the Fogg Museum's bid for the Pontormo.

Would it be possible for you to let Prof. Friedberg know what is happening, and then I very much hope that the Pontormo will end up at the Fogg Museum, given in his honor.

Isabel and I much look forward to being in Cambridge the weekend of November 13th.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

AB:mmh



#### HARVARD UNIVERSITY ART MUSEUMS

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Harvard University Art Museums

October 27, 1988

Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman Sigma-Aldrich P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, WI 53201

Dear Dr. Bader:

This letter will serve as a formal agreement between you and the Harvard University Art Museums (HUAM), regarding the Pontormo painting fragment.

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Yours truly,

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Dr. Alfred Bader

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November 7, 1988



Ms. Sally A. Zinno Assistant Director The Fogg Museum 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Ms. Zinno:

Enclosed is the signed agreement.

I have crossed out one paragraph for the following reason:

This is a legal document which obligates me or my estate to pay Harvard up to \$396,000.00 if Harvard buys the Pontormo.

If the hammer price is more than \$360,000.00, then I would like to consider using some or all of the funds to purchase other suitable paintings for the Fogg Museum, drawing on Dr. Robinson's great expertise for advice. However, this is not a legal obligation, nor in fact even a moral one, and this paragraph should not be in a legal document.

If you have any questions, please discuss them with me at the Overseers Committee meeting next week.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader
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cc: Mr. E. P. Bowron
Dr. William Robinson



32 Quincy Street Cambridge MA 02138 617 495-9400 Harvard University Art Museums

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October 27, 1988

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Dr. Alfred Bader

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November 16, 1988



Prof. George Whitesides, Chairman Department of Chemistry Harvard University 12 Oxford Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Prof. Whitesides:

You must have realized how very much Isabel and I appreciated our talk last week Friday, realizing that we are of the same mind regarding the desirability of giving the very ablest of the junior faculty tenure in the department.

We have a bet, which I very much hope I will lose. If by 1995 at least one of the junior faculty in organic chemistry has received tenure, I will owe you a fine watercolor for your office. When next I come to Harvard, I will bring that watercolor with me in the hope that it will stay in your office permanently.

I was rather shaken by your saying that you have encountered a number of labelling mix-ups. This, of course, is the very worst mistake we can make. I would like to ask you to be quite specific when next you encounter such an instance and let me know exactly what is involved.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

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(Dictated by Dr. Bader and signed in his absence)

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December 2, 1988

Dr. Alfred Bader Sigma-Aldrich P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee WI 53201

Dear Alfred:

My thanks to you and to Isabel for visiting the Department in November, and for the lively discussions. I was delighted to learn of your interest in the development of young scientists. I entirely share that interest -- talented young people are now the scarcest commodity in science, and the academic community in chemistry has come to recognize that attracting excellent young people to our field, and making sure that they have the right resources to make the best start in their independent careers, must be our highest priority.

Your comments concerning the past tenure practices at Harvard are certainly based on correct and admirable instinct -- that one should promote the careers of the best young people, and try to keep the best of these as permanent colleagues. An obligation of this University (and every first-rate university) must be to include its non-tenured faculty among those to whom it has an obligation to provide active support and assistance. The relationship cannot be simply that of a distant employer and employee: we, in the senior faculty, are responsible for the development of our junior colleagues. In fact, the Harvard Department is exceptionally proud of its role in developing junior faculty. For many years, it regarded itself in major part as a kind of senior postdoctoral school for the best young people in academic chemistry: they would come here, work with outstanding senior colleagues and students, learn how to conduct scientific research as independent investigators, and then move on to continue their careers elsewhere. This process has been extraordinarily successful. I enclose, for your amusement, a list that I have had made up of the current positions of individuals who have been assistant professors here at one or another time. If you glance through it, you will, I suspect, agree that the impact of this Department on the chemical profession through the advanced education of individuals at the assistant professor level has been extraordinary -- I am certain that no other department can equal it. If you combine this list with corresponding lists of individuals who have been graduate students and postdoctoral fellows here and have gone on to research positions, the impact of the Department on chemistry at the national and international scale is simply immense. We are extraordinarily proud of our record as a teaching institution, and consider those who have been taught as

the collective group of graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, junior fellows, and junior faculty. It is entirely correct that many very good people have left here to have had distinguished careers elsewhere. We are delighted in their success, and happy to have been able to contribute to it.

Even though the Department has made an unparalleled contribution to chemical research through its teaching, a number of issues have made us reconsider our approach to junior faculty in the last years, with the objective of increasing the fraction of the tenured appointments made in the Department from within. (Remember, please, that we are a tiny Department. Our size -- 12 tenured faculty and 7 non-tenured faculty -- is wildly out of proportion with our impact on the science of chemistry. With this size, we can make only one tenured appointment every 2 to 3 years.) Demographics is one: the pool of individuals choosing science as a career in the United States will decrease in overall quality in the next years for a variety of reasons, and competition for the very best of these people will grow stronger. Expense is a second: the financial investment on the part of the University required to start a junior person is now very large and growing rapidly. The cost of a first-class senior appointment is simply staggering. Even the major research universities can no longer afford to play this game. Personal factors are a third: It is no longer as acceptable as it once was to spend time at one institution at the start of one's career and then to move on to a second. It is disruptive for the lives of the individuals involved, and especially for two-career families and families with children in school. People (understandably) will accept the difficulties of moving more gracefully if it is by their choice rather than when forced on them.

The Department now recruits junior faculty and starts them on their careers with the assumption and hope that they will be serious candidates for promotion to tenure. Our two most recent organic appointments -- Peter Chen and Greg Verdine -- are examples. Both have rapidly growing research groups (4-5 graduate students each at the end of the first year; we anticipate approximately 8 each at the end of the second). Both have gotten levels of startup financial support that are exceptional by the standards of any university. Both were selected with the greatest care, and we will do everything we can to make them the stars of their generation. If they (and we) succeed, we will be ecstatic to promote them to tenure.

You will, quite correctly, reserve judgment on the success of our methods until we have actually made a tenured appointment (although I hope you will accept the sincerity of our intentions). I presume on your affection for the Department, however, to return to the basic question of how best to promote the interests and continuing education of young professional chemists. I would like to try to engage your interest and active support, both personally and corporately, to try to develop new mechanisms for promoting the development of junior faculty. I will phrase my discussion at the national level, since it is a national problem, but since this Department has extraordinarily good junior faculty, and a great deal of flexibility in what we can do, we would be happy to work with you in pioneering methods.

Sigma Aldrich is one of the great resources for research in molecular science, both in universities and in industry, in the United States (and now, as I read your 10-K, abroad). It serves society, its customers, and its owners extremely well. We congratulate you and thank you for your extraordinary success. We in research in chemistry and biochemistry literally could not do without you.

When a company is as successful as yours, there is an argument for building special bridges between the company and its customers. Although there may be arguments to the contrary, it both helps to repay the obligation that every company should feel to its customers, and builds ties and associations that keep out the competition. Sigma Aldrich has made steps in this direction throughout its career: by maintaining the collection of exotic research compounds, by supporting Aldrichimica Acta, and most recently by activities such as the Bader Prize of the American Chemical Society (won, this year, as you know, by our colleague Jeremy Knowles). The company is now bigger and capable of taking on bigger problems; I suggest the problem and opportunity presented by the development of junior faculty. What could you do that might make a difference, at an acceptable cost? Let me make several suggestions concerning problems, and hypothesize programs that might help:

- 1) Continuing Education and Peer Recognition. It would be a useful project to develop a program that would supply travel funds for junior faculty. Two of the central problems in the beginning years are to get to be known and to know one's professional peers, and to learn new areas of science. Both are well served by attending good scientific conferences. Going anywhere these days costs \$1,000, and the junior faculty sometimes do not have the money, or more often have it, but feel that they must use it elsewhere in fashions more directly connected to their research. A Sigma Aldrich program to support travel to professional meetings would make the right kind of encouragement, and would build goodwill very effectively.
- 2) Time that can be effectively devoted to research is a precious commodity for the junior (as well as the senior) faculty. A program that would buy "time off" from the university for the junior faculty (by providing funds to be used to bring in an alternative teacher, perhaps on sabbatical, to cover the courses normally taught by the junior faculty member) would benefit everyone. The junior faculty member would get one semester to concentrate on research; the sabbatical visitor would get an exposure to a new department (a feature that would be especially valuable if he or she came from a smaller school or from a minority college); the Department would enjoy contact with a new person. The cost of such a program would be ~\$50 K per semester.
- 3) Personal Income. In many cities, university salaries have not kept up with the cost of living. In addition, more junior faculty now find themselves with families. The necessity of facing a low standard of living for the first years in a career has come to discourage students from entering academic chemistry (or more broadly science). This problem is certainly an important one at MIT, Harvard, Columbia, Caltech, UCLA, Berkeley, and related research universities in large cities; it is also a problem in many other schools

located in cities. Often a few thousand dollars can make a big difference in this kind of circumstance. One could imagine several ways in which Sigma Aldrich might be able to help in this problem:

- i) You might commission articles for <u>Aldrichimica Acta</u>. At the moment, you request, and the chemical community, normally, responds with enthusiasm. It might be appropriate to pursue more articles from junior faculty, and to pay them for their articles (perhaps more even than the articles are worth). Again, everyone would benefit: the junior faculty member would do his or her literature work; (S)he would find several dollars in the pocket; Sigma Aldrich would enjoy substantial personal warmth.
- ii) Prizes for excellent initial pieces of research. One could imagine a program of Sigma Aldrich scholars, perhaps similar to the Cope Scholars, intended for the recognition of very early work in the independent career of the junior faculty, and resulting in money in the pocket for the junior faculty.
- iii) "Adjustments" to the PYI program. The NSF Presidential Young Investigator program has been a great success in identifying excellent young people, and has provided one system of rewards for those who are initial successful. The matching fund part of this program has proved problematic. It was initially designed to leverage government support by providing a stimulus for industry to match. In practice, it has turned out that some types of research programs (especially those with obvious application) are easy to match; some (those that fall more closely in the definition of research purely for the sake of knowledge) have proved more difficult. Sigma Aldrich could take on a program of providing matching funds for "unpopular" PYI's.

There is also a down-side to the PYI program. Those who are chosen get money, recognition, and are automatically included on many mailing lists for conferences and for related activities. Those not chosen feel (and, in fact, are) left out. A Sigma Aldrich program to extend support at the PYI cutoff (a kind of second chance for people at that border) would be extremely helpful in supporting the morale of people who are not those chosen first. It is, as you know, not always easy to recognize talent on first exposure.

- 4) Startup. I mention the problem of startup because it is a very difficult one for the University and for the federal government, and probably beyond the scope of Sigma Aldrich if addressed from a national point of view. Addressed from the vantage of a small number of universities having first-rate activities in research, it might, however, be possible to establish endowments that would be sufficient to provide enough income to make a real difference in the ability of the junior faculty to start innovative programs and to make their initial activities in research effective.
- 5) <u>Minorities</u>. The problem of recruiting minority students to the scientific profession is another major problem facing the country. If this is one that is of interest to you, we might at some point discuss the problem in greater detail, since it is a very difficult one. At its core, however, is the

indication from demographics suggesting that the middle-class white population is moving away from science and technology and to financial/legal/service professions. The country very much needs to find effective methods for recruiting the largest underutilized pools of talent -- minorities (and to a somewhat lesser extent women) -- into careers in science.

Let me close by emphasizing the value the chemical community places on your company. It is a remarkable story of mutual benefit -- entrepreneurial capitalism at its best. We at Harvard appreciate your concerns about the Department, and share them to such an extent that our major departmental priorities at present include constructing better programs for promoting the careers of our junior colleagues. Because this subject is clearly of interest to you personally, because it is vitally important to the future of your company, because of the special relationship between Sigma Aldrich and academic chemical research, and because of the broad importance of the problem of promotion of science for the country, there should be ways in which we in this Department could work together with you -- combining your financial resources and our junior faculty, students, and laboratories -- to build a more stable future for chemistry.

Best regards,

Very truly yours,

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Dear Prof. Whitesides

Please accept my sincere thanks for your thoughtful and thought-provoking letter of December 2nd. Isabel and I were in Britain until the last day of December; hence, the delay in my reply.

I fear that I personally will not be able to persuade the board of directors of Sigma-Aldrich to plow substantial funds into chemical education, but Isabel and I have been doing this for years. Before Aldrich merged with Sigma in 1975, Aldrich began sponsoring the A.C.S. award in synthetic organic chemistry. Sigma was, and is, about twice as large as Aldrich, and the Sigma directors made it quite clear that they felt that substantial contributions should be made by individuals, not the company.

For many years Isabel and I have tried to locate really able, young, untenured academics who are also fine human beings, and to give them some funds—a few thousand dollars each—on condition that the funds be used, not to buy chemicals and equipment, but to help their students. We have always requested that no accounting and no acknowledgement be made. Old friends, particularly Gilbert Stork, have helped us with the selection, and of course it has given us a great deal of pleasure. Prof. Schreiber, a recipient years ago at Yale, suggested that we make some gifts to chemists at Harvard now, and this is even more attractive because of the possibile availability of matching N.S.F. funds.

We also established the Bader award in biochemistry—the award won this year by Prof. Knowles, but we are unlikely to fund further such awards, because the A.C.S. is really quite unreasonable: to fund a \$3,000/year award required over \$100,000 in capital! Subsequently, we established similar awards in organic chemistry in Canada (won in 1988 by Prof. Hanessian) and Britain (the first award will be made in 1989) and found that the C.I.C. and the Royal Society of Chemistry required less than half the capital than the A.C.S. award. We want to help chemists, not a bureaucracy.

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Prof. George M. Whitesides Harvard University January 3, 1989 Page Two

We have three operations in England, spend a good deal of time visiting British academics, and find the funding for chemical research at British universities is very much harder to obtain than at American and continental schools. Yet, many chemists in Britain do brilliant work. Hence, we have persuaded the Royal Society of Chemistry to establish a "Friends of the R.S.C.," and we are now funneling funds to untenured British academics through that organization.

Your letter suggested several other approaches, which Isabel and I would like to discuss with you when next we see you. Helping minority students seems very complicated, and we have sufficient articles for our Aldrichimica Acta. But several of your suggestions are very intriguing. However, funding fellowships or anything else within Harvard is difficult, because of Harvard's policy of paying only 5% on capital. Some years ago we wanted to establish annual fellowships for graduate students in art history to study abroad. A \$10,000/year award required \$200,000 at Harvard, \$100,000 at the Institute of Fine Arts in New York. Hence, we established three such fellowships in New York.

On the same afternoon we visited you last November, we also visited Prof. Evans. I was unaware that I hurt him deeply when trying to explain my frustration with past Harvard policy and was deeply sorry to learn that I had done so. Prof. Evans may have shared with you our correspondence with him. All I can say is that I spoke sincerely, and without intention to be hurtful. I know how many chemists at Harvard have helped us, but I don't think that it has been a one-way street.

I am keeping my eyes open for a really fine watercolor to send to you, hoping that it will be in payment of our bet.

Isabel joins me in best wishes for 1989.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

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Dr. Alfred Bader Sigma-Aldrich P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee WI 53201

Dear Alfred:

My thanks to you and to Isabel for visiting the Department in November, and for the lively discussions. I was delighted to learn of your interest in the development of young scientists. I entirely share that interest -- talented young people are now the scarcest commodity in science, and the academic community in chemistry has come to recognize that attracting excellent young people to our field, and making sure that they have the right resources to make the best start in their independent careers, must be our highest priority.

Your comments concerning the past tenure practices at Harvard are certainly based on correct and admirable instinct -- that one should promote the careers of the best young people, and try to keep the best of these as permanent colleagues. An obligation of this University (and every first-rate university) must be to include its non-tenured faculty among those to whom it has an obligation to provide active support and assistance. The relationship cannot be simply that of a distant employer and employee: we, in the senior faculty, are responsible for the development of our junior colleagues. In fact, the Harvard Department is exceptionally proud of its role in developing junior faculty. For many years, it regarded itself in major part as a kind of senior postdoctoral school for the best young people in academic chemistry: they would come here, work with outstanding senior colleagues and students, learn how to conduct scientific research as independent investigators, and then move on to continue their careers elsewhere. This process has been extraordinarily successful. I enclose, for your amusement, a list that I have had made up of the current positions of individuals who have been assistant professors here at one or another time. If you glance through it, you will, I suspect, agree that the impact of this Department on the chemical profession through the advanced education of individuals at the assistant professor level has been extraordinary -- I am certain that no other department can equal it. If you combine this list with corresponding lists of individuals who have been graduate students and postdoctoral fellows here and have gone on to research positions, the impact of the Department on chemistry at the national and international scale is simply immense. We are extraordinarily proud of our record as a teaching institution, and consider those who have been taught as

the collective group of graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, junior fellows, and junior faculty. It is entirely correct that many very good people have left here to have had distinguished careers elsewhere. We are delighted in their success, and happy to have been able to contribute to it.

Even though the Department has made an unparalleled contribution to chemical research through its teaching, a number of issues have made us reconsider our approach to junior faculty in the last years, with the objective of increasing the fraction of the tenured appointments made in the Department from within. (Remember, please, that we are a tiny Department. Our size -- 12 tenured faculty and 7 non-tenured faculty -- is wildly out of proportion with our impact on the science of chemistry. With this size, we can make only one tenured appointment every 2 to 3 years.) Demographics is one: the pool of individuals choosing science as a career in the United States will decrease in overall quality in the next years for a variety of reasons, and competition for the very best of these people will grow stronger. Expense is a second: the financial investment on the part of the University required to start a junior person is now very large and growing rapidly. The cost of a first-class senior appointment is simply staggering. Even the major research universities can no longer afford to play this game. Personal factors are a third: It is no longer as acceptable as it once was to spend time at one institution at the start of one's career and then to move on to a second. It is disruptive for the lives of the individuals involved, and especially for two-career families and families with children in school. People (understandably) will accept the difficulties of moving more gracefully if it is by their choice rather than when forced on them.

The Department now recruits junior faculty and starts them on their careers with the assumption and hope that they will be serious candidates for promotion to tenure. Our two most recent organic appointments -- Peter Chen and Greg Verdine -- are examples. Both have rapidly growing research groups (4-5 graduate students each at the end of the first year; we anticipate approximately 8 each at the end of the second). Both have gotten levels of startup financial support that are exceptional by the standards of any university. Both were selected with the greatest care, and we will do everything we can to make them the stars of their generation. If they (and we) succeed, we will be ecstatic to promote them to tenure.

You will, quite correctly, reserve judgment on the success of our methods until we have actually made a tenured appointment (although I hope you will accept the sincerity of our intentions). I presume on your affection for the Department, however, to return to the basic question of how best to promote the interests and continuing education of young professional chemists. I would like to try to engage your interest and active support, both personally and corporately, to try to develop new mechanisms for promoting the development of junior faculty. I will phrase my discussion at the national level, since it is a national problem, but since this Department has extraordinarily good junior faculty, and a great deal of flexibility in what we can do, we would be happy to work with you in pioneering methods.

Sigma Aldrich is one of the great resources for research in molecular science, both in universities and in industry, in the United States (and now, as I read your 10-K, abroad). It serves society, its customers, and its owners extremely well. We congratulate you and thank you for your extraordinary success. We in research in chemistry and biochemistry literally could not do without you.

When a company is as successful as yours, there is an argument for building special bridges between the company and its customers. Although there may be arguments to the contrary, it both helps to repay the obligation that every company should feel to its customers, and builds ties and associations that keep out the competition. Sigma Aldrich has made steps in this direction throughout its career: by maintaining the collection of exotic research compounds, by supporting Aldrichimica Acta, and most recently by activities such as the Bader Prize of the American Chemical Society (won, this year, as you know, by our colleague Jeremy Knowles). The company is now bigger and capable of taking on bigger problems; I suggest the problem and opportunity presented by the development of junior faculty. What could you do that might make a difference, at an acceptable cost? Let me make several suggestions concerning problems, and hypothesize programs that might help:

- 1) Continuing Education and Peer Recognition. It would be a useful project to develop a program that would supply travel funds for junior faculty. Two of the central problems in the beginning years are to get to be known and to know one's professional peers, and to learn new areas of science. Both are well served by attending good scientific conferences. Going anywhere these days costs \$1,000, and the junior faculty sometimes do not have the money, or more often have it, but feel that they must use it elsewhere in fashions more directly connected to their research. A Sigma Aldrich program to support travel to professional meetings would make the right kind of encouragement, and would build goodwill very effectively.
- 2) Time that can be effectively devoted to research is a precious commodity for the junior (as well as the senior) faculty. A program that would buy "time off" from the university for the junior faculty (by providing funds to be used to bring in an alternative teacher, perhaps on sabbatical, to cover the courses normally taught by the junior faculty member) would benefit everyone. The junior faculty member would get one semester to concentrate on research; the sabbatical visitor would get an exposure to a new department (a feature that would be especially valuable if he or she came from a smaller school or from a minority college); the Department would enjoy contact with a new person. The cost of such a program would be ~\$50 K per semester.
- 3) <u>Personal Income</u>. In many cities, university salaries have not kept up with the cost of living. In addition, more junior faculty now find themselves with families. The necessity of facing a low standard of living for the first years in a career has come to discourage students from entering academic chemistry (or more broadly science). This problem is certainly an important one at MIT, Harvard, Columbia, Caltech, UCLA, Berkeley, and related research universities in large cities; it is also a problem in many other schools

Dr. Alfred Bader December 2, 1988 Page 4 located in cities. Often a few thousand dollars can make a big difference in this kind of circumstance. One could imagine several ways in which Sigma Aldrich might be able to help in this problem: i) You might commission articles for Aldrichimica Acta. At the moment, you request, and the chemical community, normally, responds with enthusiasm. It might be appropriate to pursue more articles from junior faculty, and to pay them for their articles (perhaps more even than the articles are worth). Again, everyone would benefit: the junior faculty member would do his or her literature work; (S)he would find several dollars in the pocket; Sigma Aldrich would enjoy substantial personal warmth. ii) Prizes for excellent initial pieces of research. One could imagine a program of Sigma Aldrich scholars, perhaps similar to the Cope Scholars, intended for the recognition of very early work in the independent career of the junior faculty, and resulting in money in the pocket for the junior faculty.

iii) "Adjustments" to the PYI program. The NSF Presidential Young Investigator program has been a great success in identifying excellent young people, and has provided one system of rewards for those who are initial successful. The matching fund part of this program has proved problematic. It was initially designed to leverage government support by providing a stimulus for industry to match. In practice, it has turned out that some types of research programs (especially those with obvious application) are easy to match; some (those that fall more closely in the definition of research purely for the sake of knowledge) have proved more difficult. Sigma Aldrich could take on a program of providing matching funds for "unpopular" PYI's.

There is also a down-side to the PYI program. Those who are chosen get money, recognition, and are automatically included on many mailing lists for conferences and for related activities. Those not chosen feel (and, in fact, are) left out. A Sigma Aldrich program to extend support at the PYI cutoff (a kind of second chance for people at that border) would be extremely helpful in supporting the morale of people who are not those chosen first. It is, as you know, not always easy to recognize talent on first exposure.

- 4) Startup. I mention the problem of startup because it is a very difficult one for the University and for the federal government, and probably beyond the scope of Sigma Aldrich if addressed from a national point of view. Addressed from the vantage of a small number of universities having first-rate activities in research, it might, however, be possible to establish endowments that would be sufficient to provide enough income to make a real difference in the ability of the junior faculty to start innovative programs and to make their initial activities in research effective.
- 5) <u>Minorities</u>. The problem of recruiting minority students to the scientific profession is another major problem facing the country. If this is one that is of interest to you, we might at some point discuss the problem in greater detail, since it is a very difficult one. At its core, however, is the

indication from demographics suggesting that the middle-class white population is moving away from science and technology and to financial/legal/service professions. The country very much needs to find effective methods for recruiting the largest underutilized pools of talent -- minorities (and to a somewhat lesser extent women) -- into careers in science.

Let me close by emphasizing the value the chemical community places on your company. It is a remarkable story of mutual benefit -- entrepreneurial capitalism at its best. We at Harvard appreciate your concerns about the Department, and share them to such an extent that our major departmental priorities at present include constructing better programs for promoting the careers of our junior colleagues. Because this subject is clearly of interest to you personally, because it is vitally important to the future of your company, because of the special relationship between Sigma Aldrich and academic chemical research, and because of the broad importance of the problem of promotion of science for the country, there should be ways in which we in this Department could work together with you -- combining your financial resources and our junior faculty, students, and laboratories -- to build a more stable future for chemistry.

Best regards,

Very truly yours,

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Dr. Alfred Bader

January 11, 1989

Prof. Seymour Slive The Fogg Museum Harvard University 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

Isabel and I have just returned from six weeks in Britain.

There, I had occasion to look at your landscape at Johnny Van Haeften's and find it a very nice work indeed. Its condition is good, although you may want to have it revarnished.

The only additional expense beyond the sales price of £ 12,265 was the transportation from Phillips to Johnny Van Haeften, costing £ 23, making a total of out-of-pocket cost of £ 12,288.

However, I was not able to purchase any large paintings which might reduce the airfreight cost, if shared. Hence, I think the best would be for you to ask Johnny Van Haeften to have the painting shipped by airfreight to the Fogg Museum and then to have your registrar clear it through customs for you.

At your convenience, please send me one or more checks; as I explained, I will not mind at all if the check or checks are postdated to suit your convenience.

Fond regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader AB:mmh Enclosures

# Johnny Van Haeften

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

January 11, 1989



Dr. William Robinson
The Fogg Museum
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Dear Bill:

You will have realied how very happy I was to learn that Harvard has been successful in purchasing the Pontormo.

As promised, please find enclosed my two checks, totalling \$385,000.00. I will appreciate your receipt of this gift.

Many thanks for your wonderful help.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

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32 Quincy Street Cambridge MA 02138 617 495-2392

Harvard University Art Museums Center for Conservation and Technical Studies

9 February 1989

Dr. Alfred Bader, Chairman Sigma-Aldrich Corporation P. O. Box 355 Milwaukee, WI 53201

Dear Dr. Bader,

Our new Madonna has just come up to the Center for examination, and I could not resist dropping you a note. We are delighted to have it here for our own selfish purposes, for even with the naked eye we can see that it presents a fascinating technical research opportunity. There are aspects of the structure of the panel and also an extensive underdrawing which will yield their secrets to x-ray and infrared examination; and given the painting's relationship to other examples of the same subject, pigment analysis and cross-sections will likewise prove fruitful, I am sure.

I know that the painting is principally an aesthetic object, and that it is certainly the most important acquisition in many years among our mannerist paintings. Yet we are always on the lookout for art-historical riddles whose solution demands the Center's resources; not only conservators but also students in our graduate seminar in technical examination thrive on such opportunities. We hope that you are pleased that you have provided us with not only a beautiful picture but also a delightful puzzle, from our specialized point of view.

Sincerely yours,

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

February 13, 1989



Ms. Marjorie B. Cohn
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32 Quincy Street
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Dear Ms. Cohn:

Thank you for your kind letter of February 9th.

You probably know that the Pontormo was destined for the Hermitage who wouldn't pay the relatively small amount of estate tax that would have had to have been paid to the British government. Naturally, I am very happy that it ended up at The Fogg Museum.

If you are ever in the Middle West, I would love to show you my collection of old master paintings.

Best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

November 7, 1989

Prof. Seymour Slive
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

Thank you so much for sending me your beautiful Hals catalog.

I hope that you might enjoy some of the paintings described in the enclosed.

Fond regards.

As always,

Alfred Bader

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Cel 1-27-89 Dr. Alfred Bader Aldrich Chemical Company, Inc. P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, WI 53201 Dear Alfred: The cover of Aldrichimica Acta 22, 3 is a splendid one: and Keith Ingold and I can fondly imagine ourselves thus surprised in earlier days.... I do not know the van Dyck (but shall go and look, next time I'm in New York) though it almost looks from the small reproduction that you have the more balanced and naturally moving work. In any case, my thanks, and very best wishes to you both... Yours ever, Jeremy R. Knowles JRK/ccg





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November 27, 1989

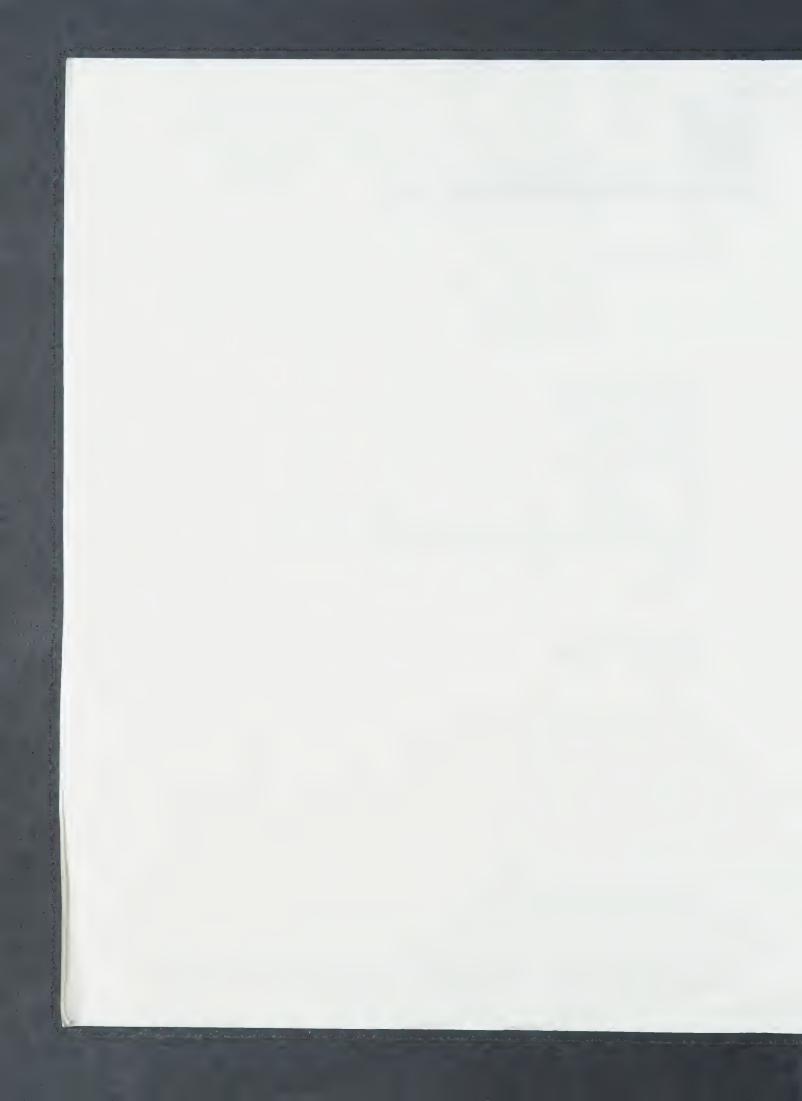
Prof. Jeremy R. Knowles Harvard University Department of Chemistry 12 Oxford Street Cambridge Massachusetts 02138

Dear Prof. Knowles:

Your letter to Dr. Bader has been received while he is out of the country until the 22nd of December. This matter will be brought to his attention when he returns to the office.

Cordially,

Marilyn Hassmann Secretary to Dr. Bader



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Prof. Seymour Slive Harvard University Department of Fine Arts Arthur M. Sackler Museum 485 Broadway Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Prof. Slive:

Your letter to Dr. Bader of November 19th has been received while he is in England until the end of December. In the meantime, I have sent a copy to him in England and have requested instructions regarding the check which was enclosed with your letter.

Cordially,

Marilyn Hassmann Secretary to Dr. Bader



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December 15, 1989

Dr. Alfred Bader Aldrich Chemical Co. P.O. Box 355 Milwaukee, WI 53201

Dear Alfred.

I know you probably are in England now, but upon your return, when you have the opportunity, I would be most grateful if you would check your files to discover whether any of my Jacob and Iaack van Ruisdael photos inadvertently became mixed with your photos. Some of mine are missing. I have searched high and low for them. No luck. I recall showing you photos pertinent to the Isaack when we discussed the towns cape here. Thus, there is a chance in a million that the missing photos are in your files. Forgive me for troubling you with such small stuff.

I wonder if you were active in the London market this month. Or was it too over heated to enter?

I hope you manage to see the Rembrandt drawing show that Bill arranged for us before it closes in late January. It is outstanding. The Rembrandt drawing symposium also was rewarding. Both you and Isabel were sorely missed.

All the best to you both for a very happy holiday season and a peaceful New Year.

Yours ever,

Seymour Slive

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Dr. Alfred Bader Chairman

January 2, 1990

Prof. Seymour Slive
The Fogg Museum
Harvard University
32 Quincy Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

Dear Seymour:

I am sorry that a long trip to Europe has delayed my replying to two of your very kind letters.

I know how vital photographs are to your work, and so I am particularly sorry to tell you that none of your photographs have accidentally come to me.

Regarding the 11 photographs which you would like on the paintings now travelling through Canada, these are paintings which I have given to Queen's over many years, and I do not have their photographs. However, I am forwarding you request to Miss Dorothy Farr, the Curator at Queen's.

I have acquired some particularly beautiful paintings recently, and as soon as I have them photographed I will send you the prints.

Fond regards and the Season's Best Wishes.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

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cc: Miss Dorothy Farr



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January 2, 1996

Dr. William W. Robinson Curator of Drawings Harvard University Art Museums 32 Quincy Street Cambridge, MA 02138

Dear Bill:

One of my first letters of the New Year is to you and your family to wish you the very best for 1996.

As you know, I very much like the early works of Maes and rather dislike most of his later portraits. But some of them can be very good, and perhaps I should have a really fine late portrait in my collection. Do you know the portrait which is Lot 94 in Sotheby's sale in New York on January 11th? If so, what do you think of it?

Would it be possible for me to purchase a copy of Dr. Michael Zell's thesis on Menasseh Ben Israel, completed under Seymour Slive's direction?

Enclosed please find my annual gift to the Harvard Art Museums.

With fond regards from house to house, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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

October 2, 2002

Dear Alfred,

Thanks so much for sending the draft of your obituary of Ellen Bernt. It is most informative and appropriate. I was also grateful to see Prof. Schwaeble's text. He has taken charge on the Munich end of arranging the transport of the archive and catalogues to Cambridge.

As we discussed earlier, there seems to be no impediment to Harvard's receiving the material, and our library staff has been in direct touch with Dr. Schwaeble.

Thanks so much for all your help with the Bernt archive. The librarians are almost as excited as I am at the prospect of having it and using it!

Love to Isabel and all best from house to house,

Bill

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