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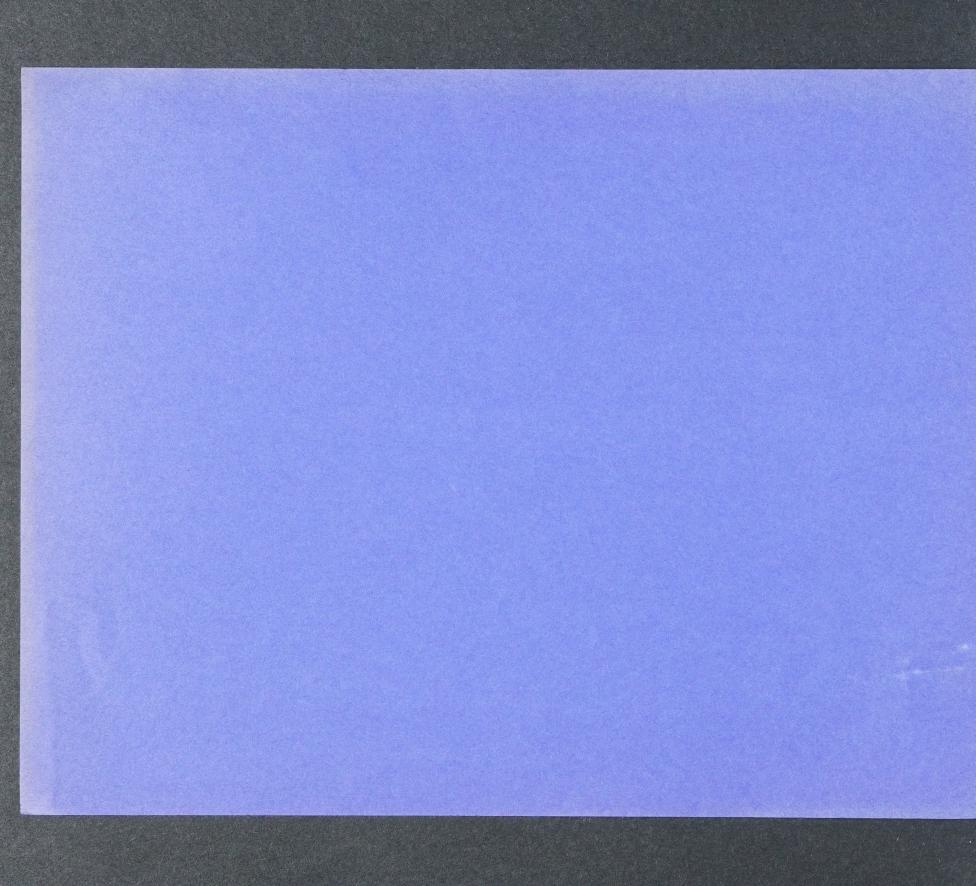
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5th June 1996

Prof. Dr. Werner Sumowski Hessenwiessenstr. 4 70565 Stuttgart-Rohr Germany

Dear Professor Sumowski

I have pleasure in sending you a photograph of a painting I have seen recently in a private Scottish collection which was purchased mainly in the 19th Century and is a pretty unknown collection. The painting in question is signed *JH* (*in compendium*) *endr fecit*/*1630*, is painted on panel and measures $23\frac{1}{2}$ by $17\frac{1}{2}$ in. I cannot find any record of an artist with this name but have noted that there is a Dirck Hendricks painted at the beginning of the 17th Century but there are no photographic records available here in London. As it is painted in the style of a Rembrandt follower, I would be most interested to hear your opinion.

With best wishes as always and do please keep the photograph for your records.

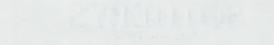
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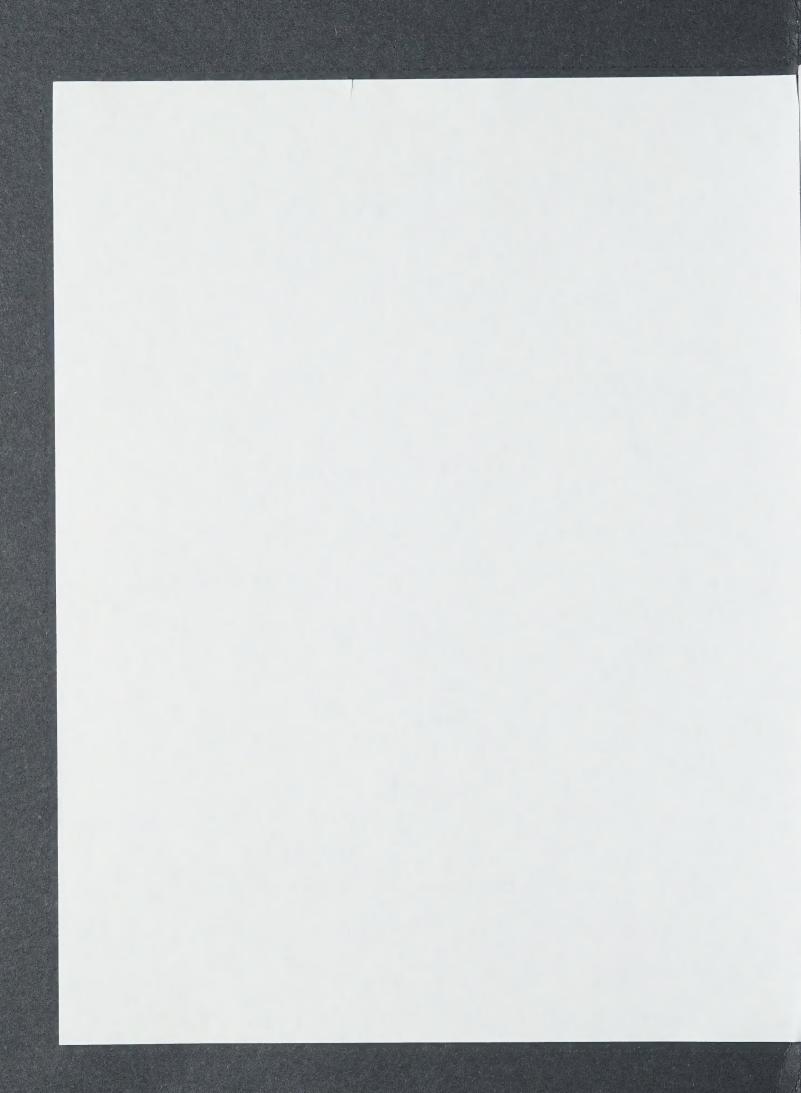
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An oil on canvas, a cityscape in summer, by M. Sanchez, signed and dated 1925.

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*Nicolaes Maes (1632-1693)

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signed lower right Mar oil on canvas 21 by 16 in. 61 by 10.6 cm

Benjamin Poulle (1646-1711) was Knight, lord of Berkenrode, and Sheriff of Amsterdam

In a letter dated April 20, 1976, Dr. Walther Bernt confirmed the attribution of the painting to Nicolaes Maes

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Literature.

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7 May 1997

Prof. Dr. Werner Sumowski Hessenwiesenstrasse 4 70565 Stuttgart Germany

Dear Prof. Dr. Sumowski

Please find enclosed a black and white photograph of a painting which we will be selling in our October sale and which is in your book *Gemälde der Rembrandt-Schüler*, vol IV, pp. 2876, 2883 and 2898, catalogued as Anonymous Rembrandt School.

In your book you compare this painting with no. 2897 and date both pictures to the early 1640's. In addition you suggest that the latter picture could be by Willem de Porter. I would be very grateful for your thoughts with regard to the attribution of the Plague of Frogs and whether you think that it was painted by Willem de Porter or someone in his circle.

For your information, the size of the canvas measures 93 by 167 cm.; 36³/₄ by 65³/₄ in.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours sincerely

Vanessa Orr

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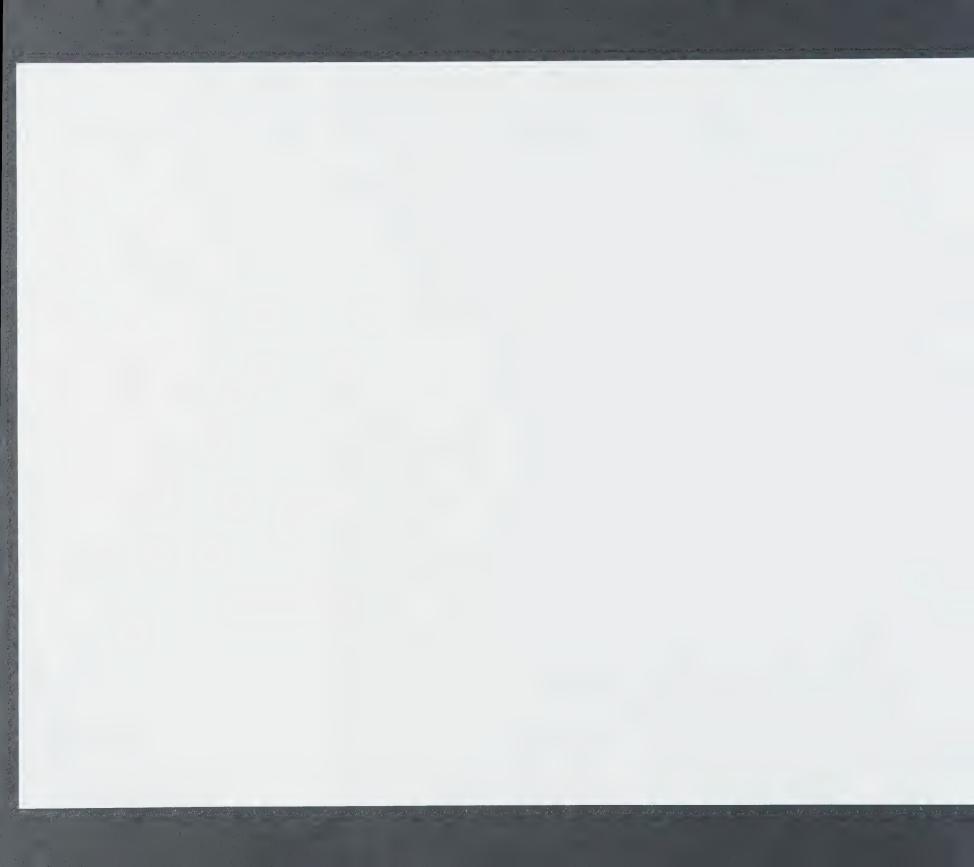


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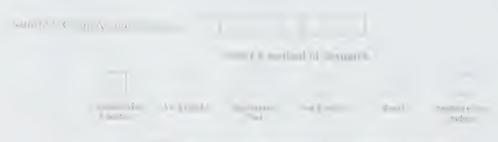
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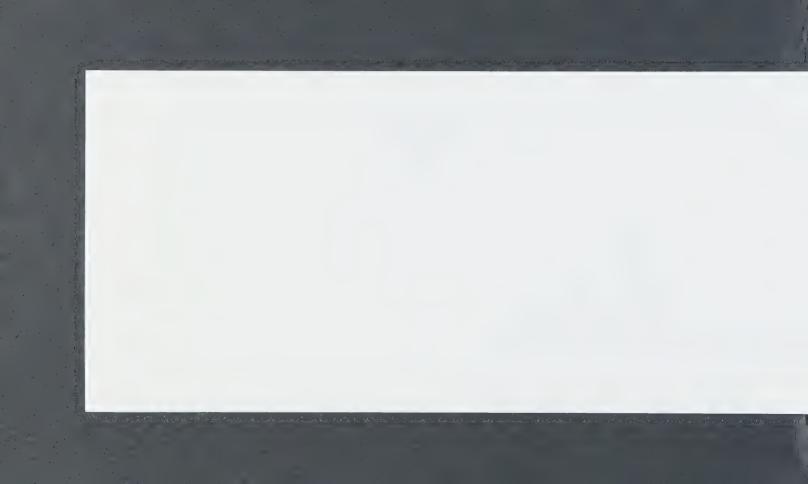
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January 19, 2000

TO: Mr. George Wachter, Executive Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212-606-7236

Dear George,

Thank you for your letter of January 11th.

The terms given by the owner of Lot 51 are not particularly generous. Still, if I do acquire the painting, I will take them up.

George, surely I do not have to belabor the obvious: the owner has tried to sell the painting for years and has been unsuccessful. If I were in his position I would certainly give more generous terms, but the decision is his.

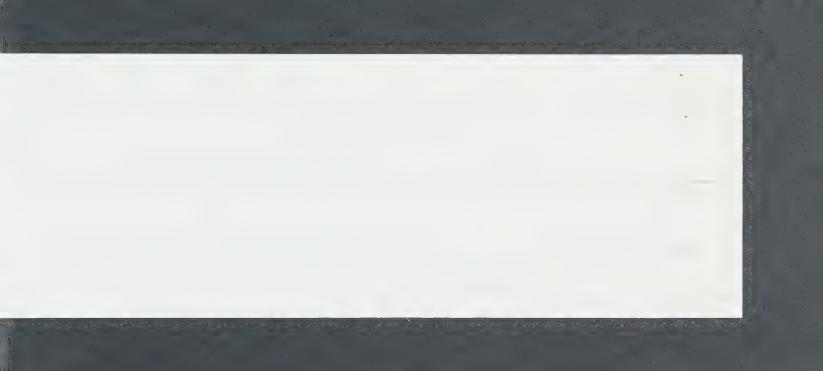
If Mr. Doller is really interested in my painting depicting *The Day of Atonement*, please ask him to contact me before I leave for New York on January 25th. It is, I believe, the first synagogue interior painted by a Spanish artist and I could take the small canvas with me to New York.

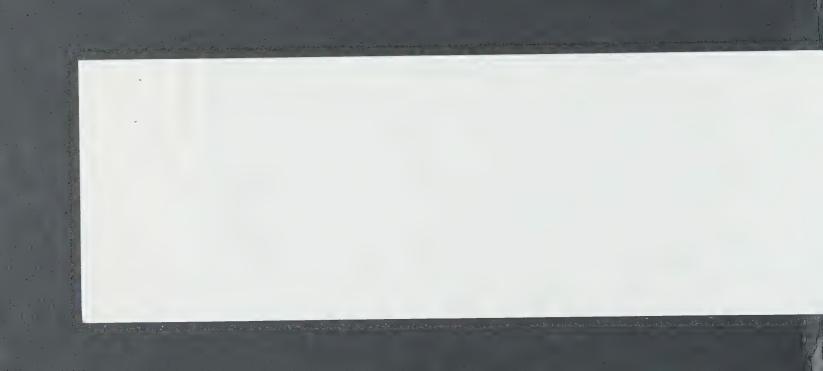
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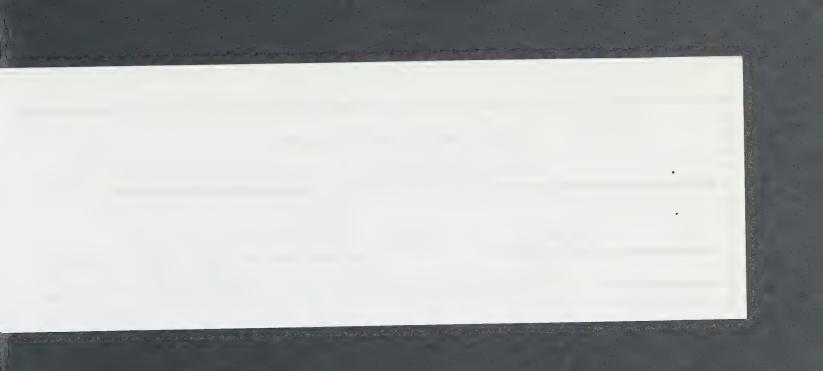
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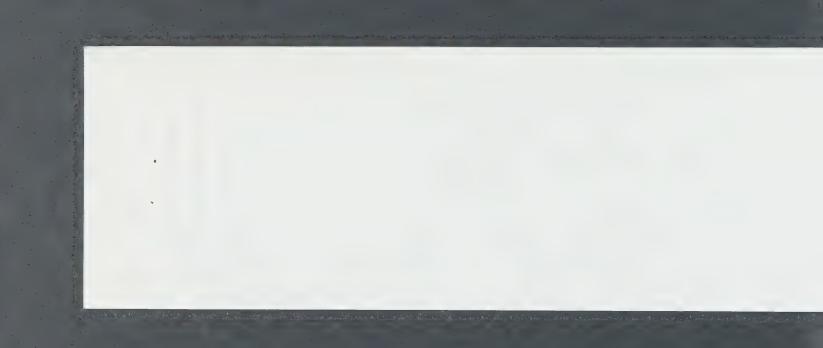
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January 4, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

I have just received the color transparency of your small Eeckhout which is coming up in your January sale. I am rather worried about the condition and would appreciate your sending me a condition report. I have not yet received your catalogue and maybe I will be able to see more there than in a transparency. From that, the painting looks rather thin in parts.

Of course I plan to be at your sale and we can discuss it then.

Hopefully, Nancy Krieg was able to find de Cock's signature in my *Tobias* and that this is in the sale. It really is a beautiful painting and should do well.

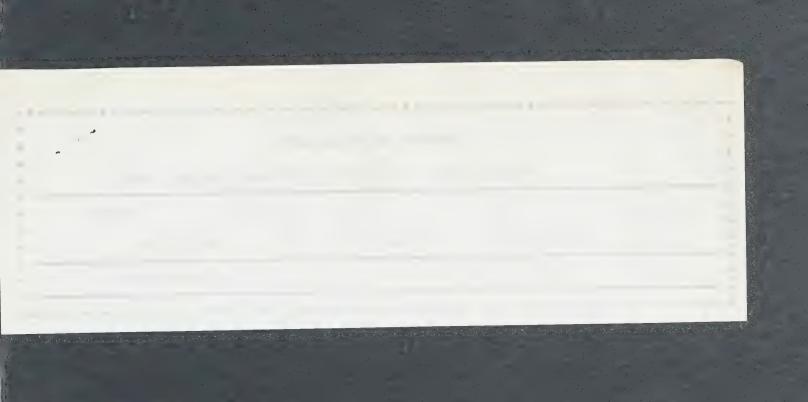
Have you come to any decision about my Carriere? If the answer is positive, I could of course bring it to New York with me. I was at the London sales and underbid several works at Sotheby's but was not able to acquire a single one. But, you need underbidders also.

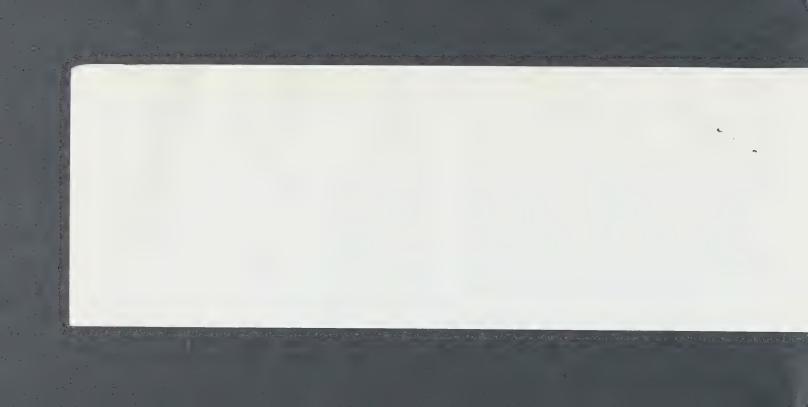
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Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader AB/az









January 29, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

Thank you for your help last week.

I am of course very happy to have bought the Eeckhout. Could you tell me anything about its provenance?

As soon as I have received your invoice for #179, the *Lute Player*, I will send you my check and will ask that you allow Clovis Whitfield Fine Arts to take it to London.

I still do believe that the *Tobias* by Maerten de Cock is signed, particularly when I look once again at the tiny, practically identical signature illustrated in Bernt. My painting was #66 in *The Bible Through Dutch Eyes* exhibition in the Milwaukee Art Center in 1976.

Would it be reasonable to offer the painting with a full name and then point out to people interested that what we see <u>may</u> be his signature.

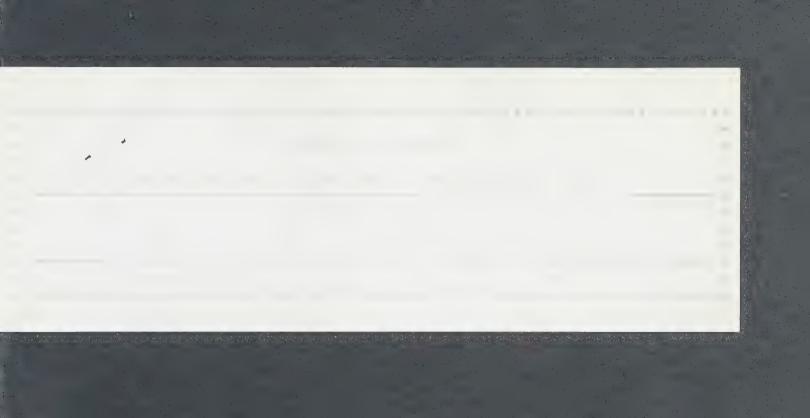
Please do let me know when you will be coming in February. My calendar is filling up rapidly but I will be here all month and just would like to give you as much time as possible.

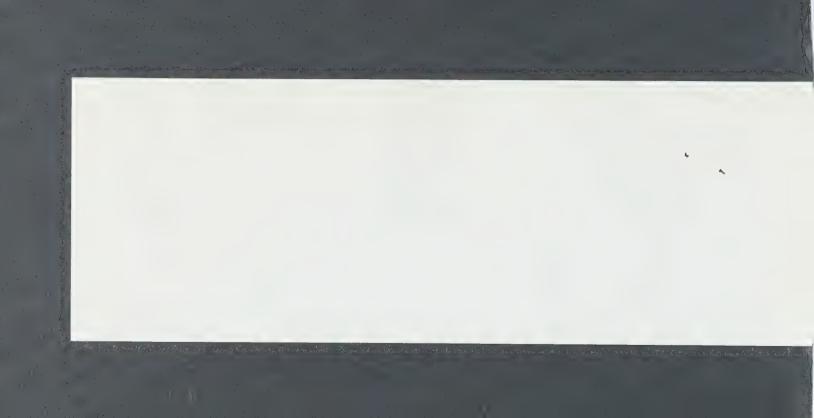
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DR. ALFRED BADER

February 2, 2001

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Mr. Ben Hall Vice President, Old Master Paintings Department Sotheby's 1334 York Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Ben,

Enclosed please find the photograph of that really nice work by David Longsdon.

If possible, please bring with you what photographs of the Eeckhout you no longer need as well as whatever provenance you have and can share with me.

Occasionally I am asked to appraise paintings and then – often years later – the owners want to sell the works. Such is the case with a very nice Italian work, details enclosed. I have suggested to the owner, Ms. Tronca, that she have the painting at my gallery next Thursday, for you to look at.

Of course I know that many dealers facilitating such sales by Sotheby's expect a small commission. I do not because I know of course how much you and George Gordon help me in other ways.

In this specific case we might even be able to help by shipping this Italian painting with the two Battle Scenes and then just having Ms. Tronca pay for 1/3 and I for 2/3 of the costs.

With best regards I remain

Yours sincerely,

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February 2, 2001

Ms. Harlene Tronca 10270 N. Rangeline Ct. Mequon, WI 53092

Dear Ms. Tronca,

In response to your letter of February 1, I have just learned that Mr. Ben Hall of Sotheby's will be here on the afternoon of February 8th. If you could have the painting here then he could have a good look at it and advise you directly.

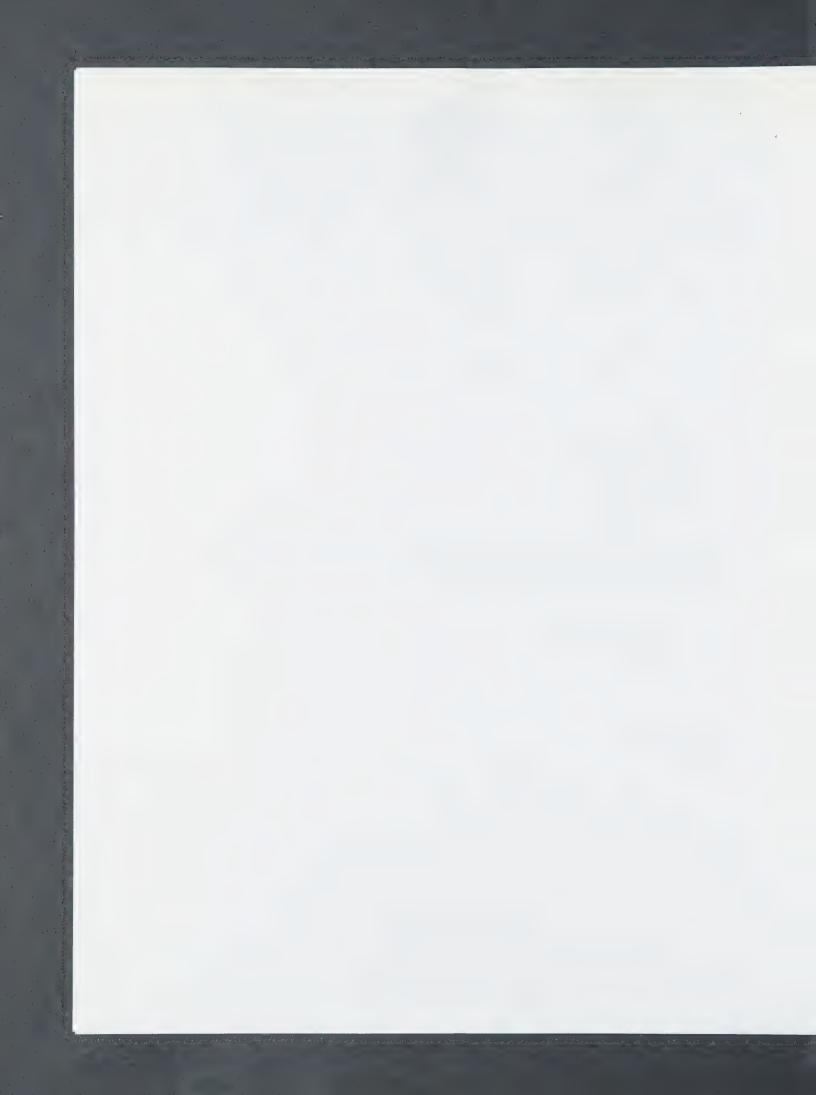
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Ms. Harlene Tronca 10270 N. Rangeline Ct. Mequon, WI 53092

Dear Ms. Tronca,

In response to your letter of February 1, I have just learned that Mr. Ben Hall of Sotheby's will be here on the afternoon of February 8th. If you could have the painting here then he could have a good look at it and advise you directly.

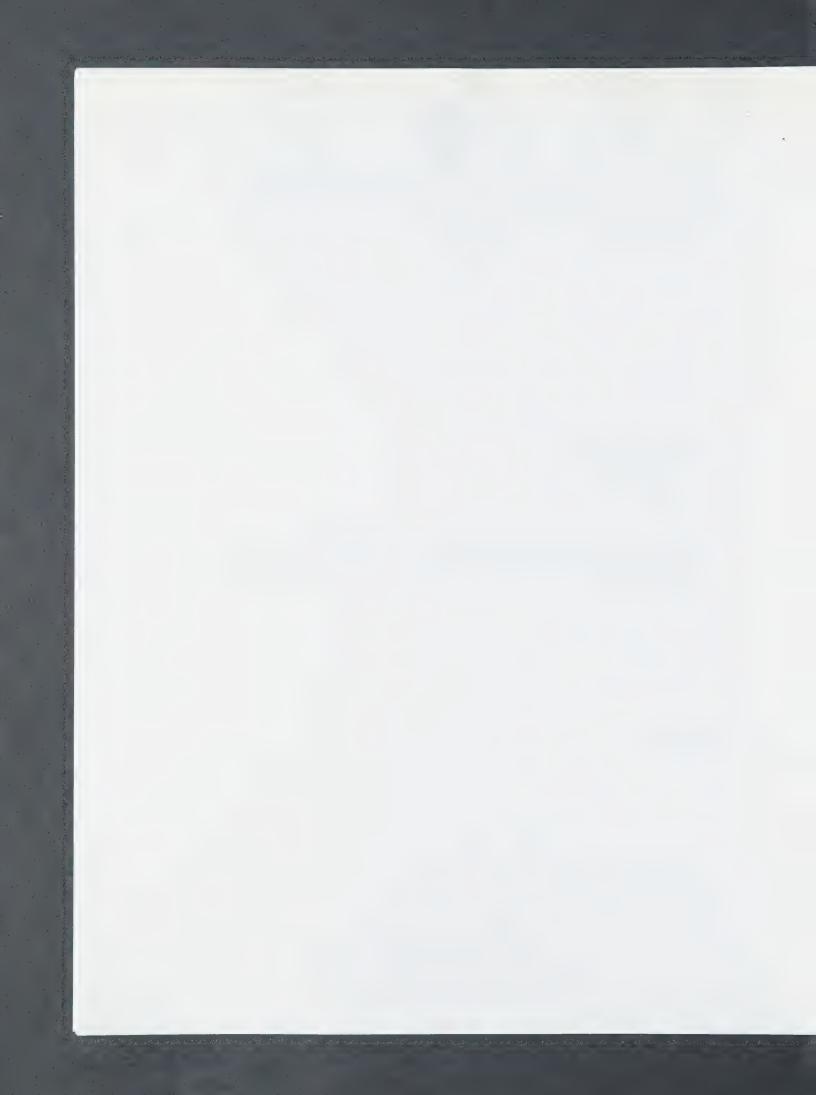
With best regards I remain

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader AB/az

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Harlene Tronca 10270 N. Rangeline Court Mequon, WI. 53092 Phone 262-242-0578 Feb. 1, 2001

Alfred Bader Fine Arts Astor Hotel - Suite 622 924 East Juneau Ave. Milwaukee, WI. 53202

Dear Dr. Bader,

It was nice to talk to you again in regards to the Detti painting, that you had appraised several years ago. As you asked, please find a picture copy of the painting along with a copy of your appraisal.

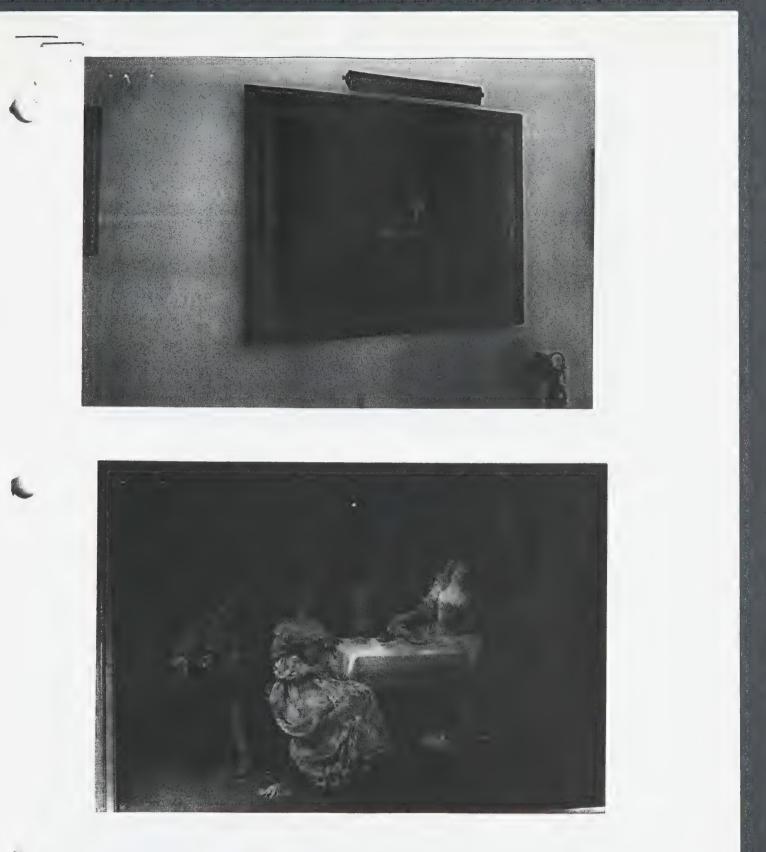
We are thinking of selling the painting and would be interested in bringing the painting to your office and meet with Mr. Hall as you suggested. I would appreciate a call when you know more about Mr. Halls visit. My phone number is at the top of the page. Thank-you.

I am looking forward to seeing you soon.

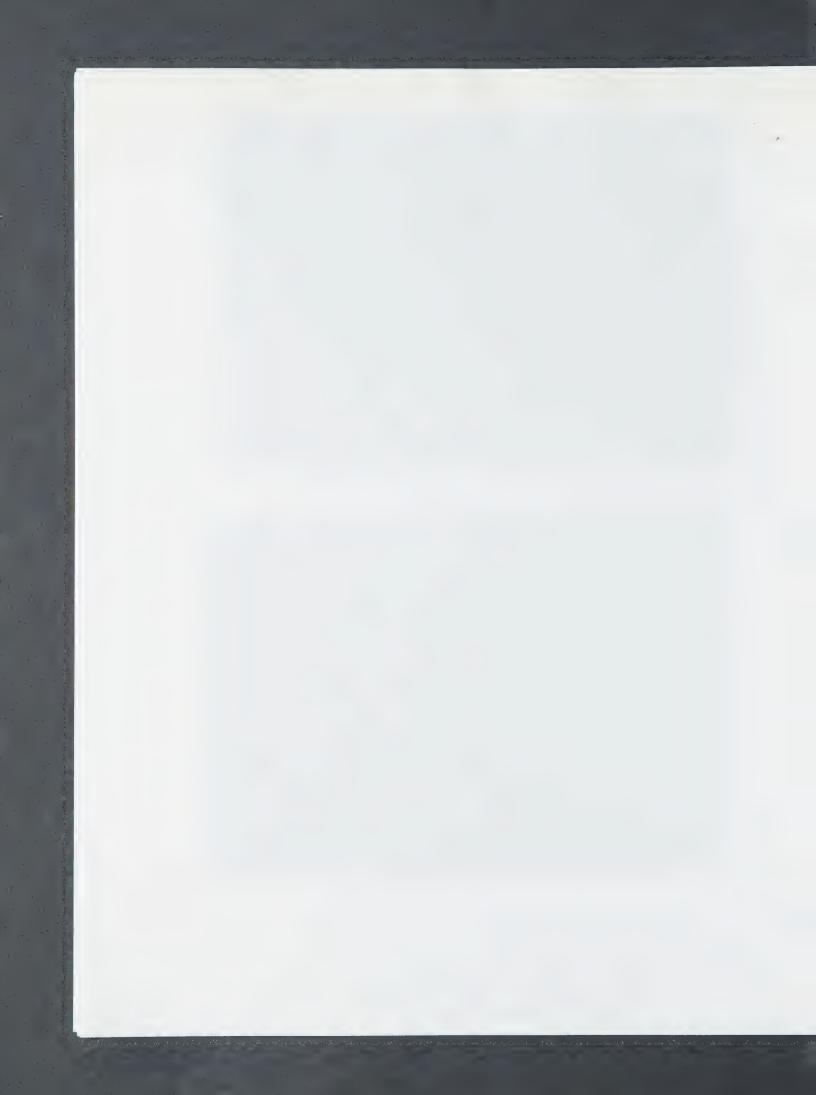
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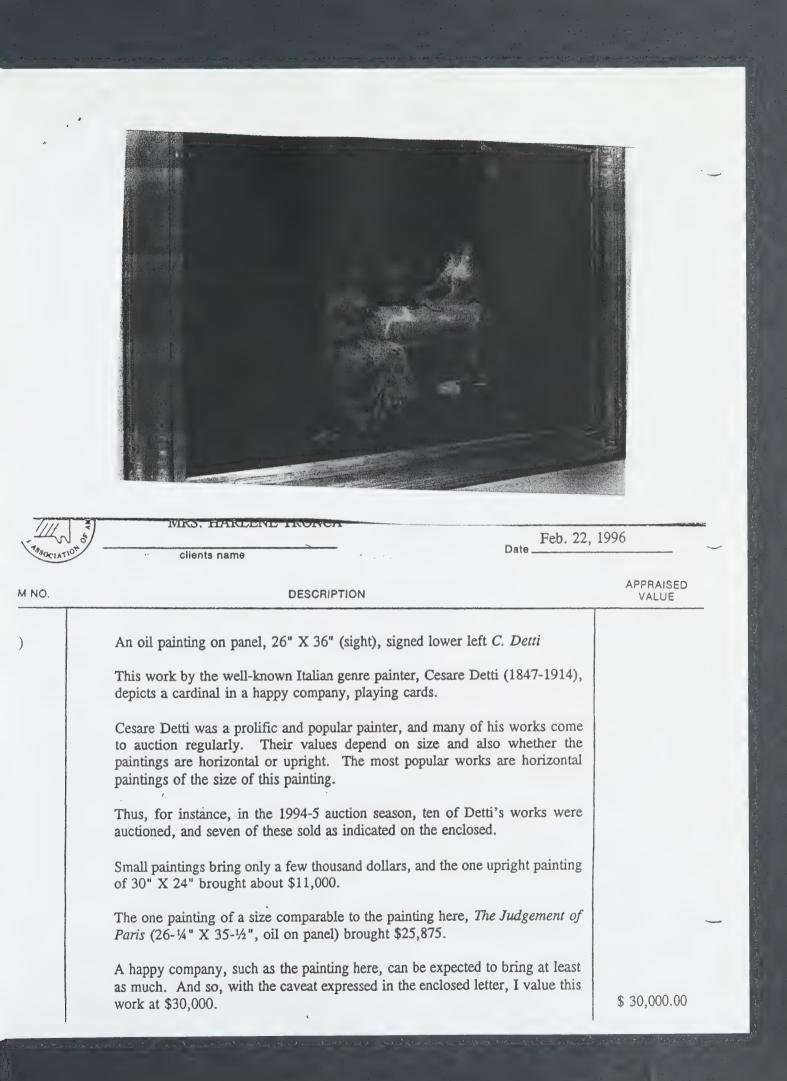
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C. Detti 26 x 36 Oil painting "The Cardinal"









February 2, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

Thank you for your fax dated January 31st but sent by you at 10:04 this morning. In this case the delay in sending is of course totally unimportant, but you might find such delays important with other faxes you send.

I look forward to seeing you on February 8th. If Dr. Winters does not invite you for lunch, I would like to do so.

I still remember your liking that little English painting of a howling dog in a landscape with that charming French inscription. I am sending you a photograph today.

There are a number of paintings which I would like to sell, like the de Cock, for one simple reason: I am running out of space at home and of course do want to have space for some of the wonderful paintings I am acquiring – for instance, Lot 4 in your sale last May.

Naturally we will have to discuss reserves and what commission you will charge me. As you know from Christie's published schedule, they will charge me 2% for all sales this year and will charge me either 2% or 0% for all sales next year. I will document the details when I see you.

The nitty gritty, however, is that I do not have as good a rapport with anyone at Christie's as I have with you and with George.



I can think of half a dozen paintings at home that might fit into your sales and there are also some in the gallery. How much time will you have that Thursday?

With best regards I remain

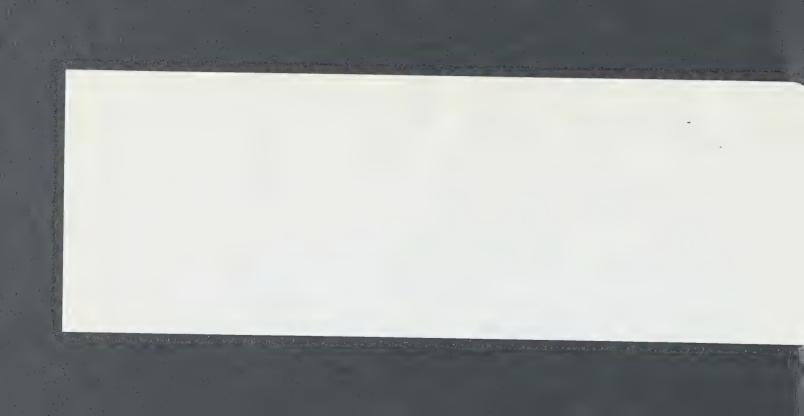
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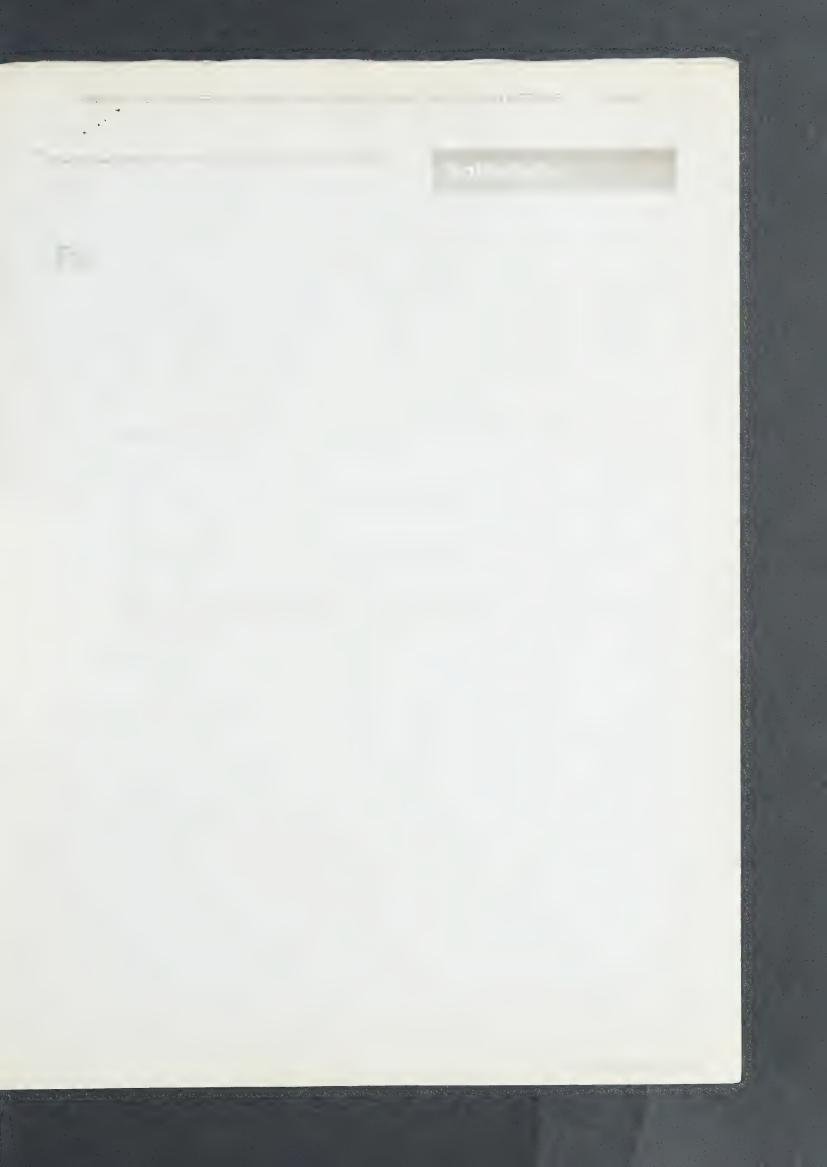
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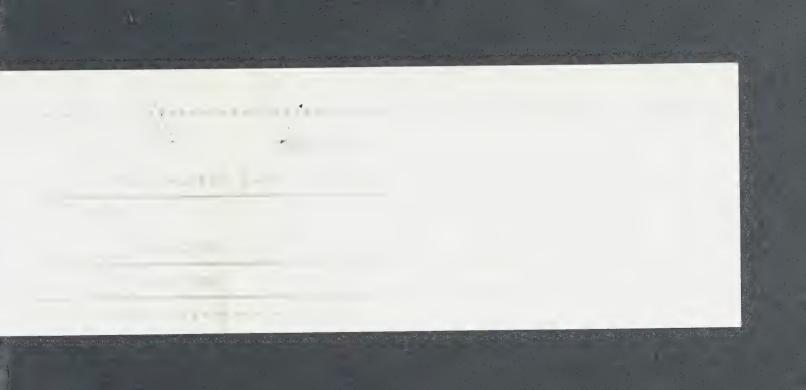


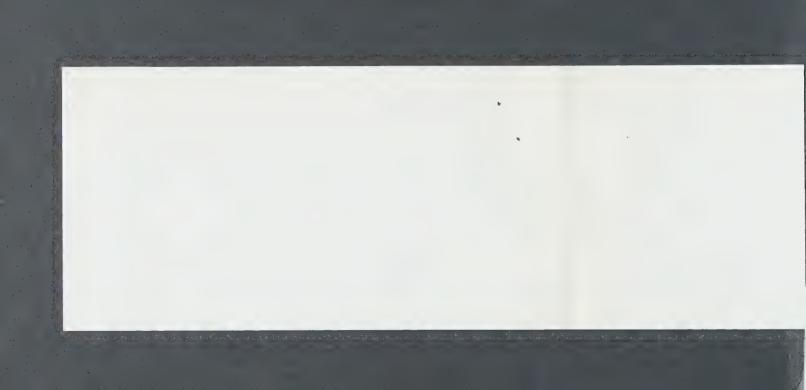














February 9, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

You must have realized how very much we enjoyed your visit, until the last few minutes when we were so worried about the taxi. Hopefully you arrived home safely.

Next week I will have the two battle scenes shipped to you, and today I am mailing you under separate cover Xerox copies of all the entries of these paintings in the various Chesrow catalogues.

We agreed that you would have these two paintings, with the full name (whatever this turns out to be) in your May sale in New York. You will charge me 2% commission and no charges for photography or buy backs. The estimate will be \$30,000 - \$50,000 and the reserve \$30,000.

You have not yet decided whether you can forego charges for insurance; I hope that you can.

Similarly, you will offer the de Cock with a reserve of \$25,000.

You will discuss with your associates whether you could offer that charming painting of a barking dog, and the portrait of a man by Francesco Paolo Michetti. Originally both Stechow and Middeldorff had suggested that this is Mancini depicting Feuerbach, but sadly neither is correct.

There is no point in your taking any paintings with a reserve that is very small, and yet everyone who has looked at the barking dog has really liked the painting.



Next week you will call me with George Gordon from London to discuss the various paintings I am considering sending to you.

Hopefully any we decide on next week could still make it into the May sale.

You know that I prefer buying paintings to selling them, and that is why my gallery is so overcrowded. Nonetheless, please let me know when good Rembrandt school paintings come up, even when you do not know who painted them. I much prefer buying Lot 4 in your last May New York sale to buying firmly established, but skinned Drosts or ugly men in armor by Lievens.

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,

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Alfred Bader



RE: Collection letter of 2/21/2001

Subject: RE: Collection letter of 2/21/2001 Date: Mon, 26 Feb 2001 14:27:26 -0500 From: "Baer, Jeffrey" <Jeffrey.Baer@sothebys.com> To: "'Bader Fine Arts''' <baderfa@execpc.com>

Thank you for your email. The checks are being deposited today and everything is in order on your account.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Baer Assistant Vice President Client Accounting 212 606 7105 Fax 212 606 7043 Email Jeffrey.Baer @sothebys.com > -- -- Original Message ----> From: Bader Fine Arts [SMTP:baderfa@execpc.com] > Sent: Monday, February 26, 2001 2:40 PM > To: jeffrey.baer@sothebys.com Collection letter of 2/21/2001 > Subject: > Dear Mr. Baer, > > Dr. Bader left ck. #3837 with Sotheby's on January 25th -- the check > was, however, dated February 24th and we have a signed receipt for that. > > We mailed your Accounting Department our Alfred Bader Fine Arts ck. > #3842 in the amount of \$110,000 on January 30th -- this check also was > dated February 24th. > Our terms are 30 days. Please confirm that our account with Sotheby's > is in proper order. > Sincerely, > (Mrs.) Ann Zuehlke, Secretary > Dr. Alfred Bader ***** This email and any files transmitted with it are confidential and

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February 21, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

Thank you for your phone call this morning.

I will pack up the Jordaens, the Lievens and perhaps Klimt. Could you please assure me that Sotheby's' will insure the perhaps Klimt for \$100,000 and the two other paintings for their reserves of \$50,000 each, at year experies

As soon as I have your assurance I will ship these three paintings.

Also, I was called today by U.S. Art Company to confirm that the two battle paintings will be picked up this coming Monday morning.

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,

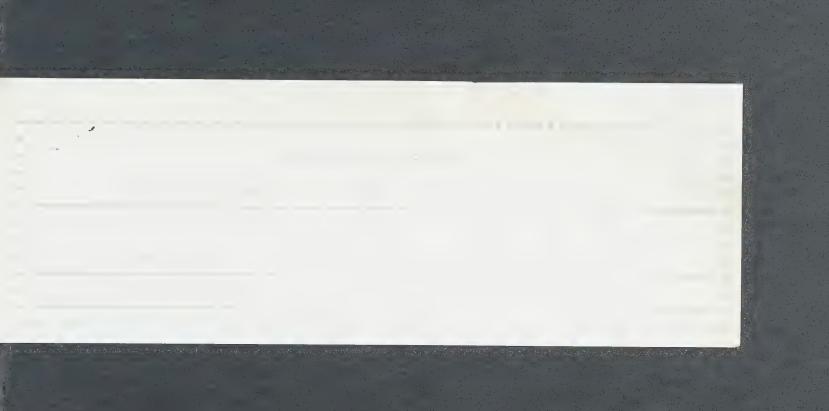
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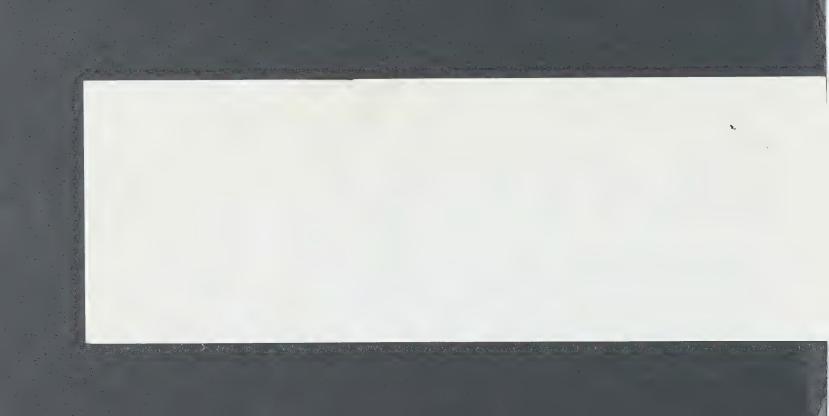
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February 26, 2001

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TO: George Gordon Sotheby's London Page 1 of ___

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Dear George,

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By a combination of ability and chance, my good friend, Dr. Otto Naumann, found the solution which is most surprising.

In The Hermitage there is a painting by Pietro Rotari, depicted behind the curtain. This is of King Alexander and the wife of Darius (not of Alexander and Roxande).

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Otto went to Leningrad to look at great paintings, and incidentally he came back with such help to his friend.

Would you consider offering my painting in one of your future New York sales, with it on the cover? Surely you could not think of a better cover: Raise the curtain and see what is inside.



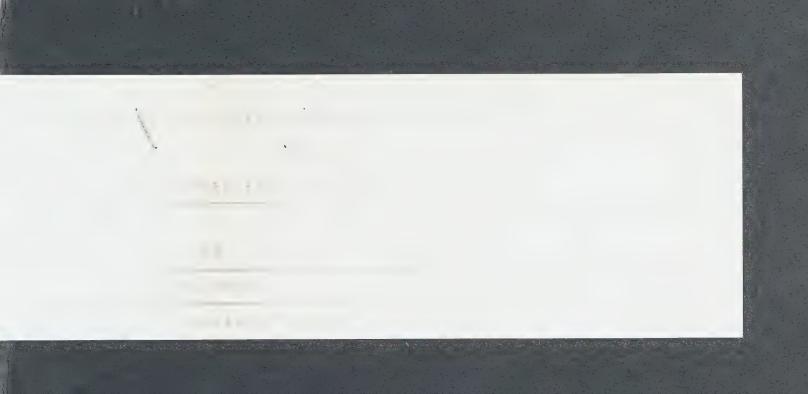
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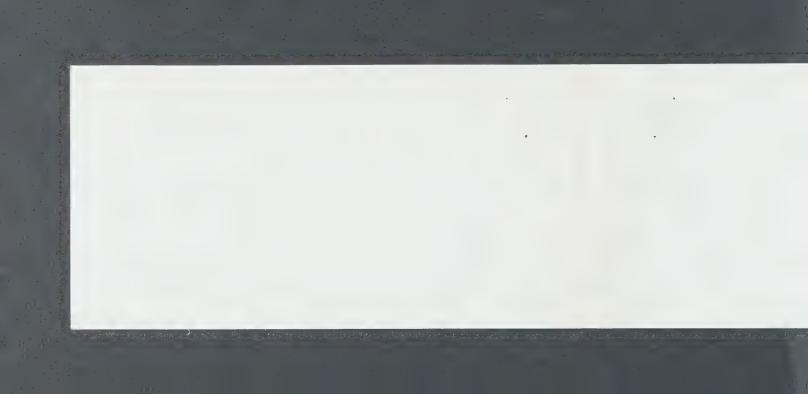
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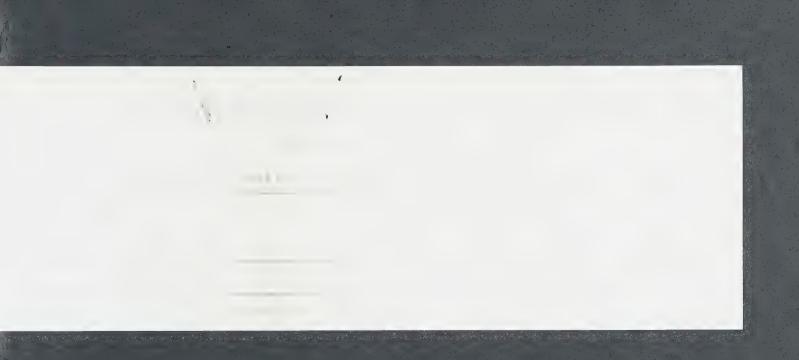
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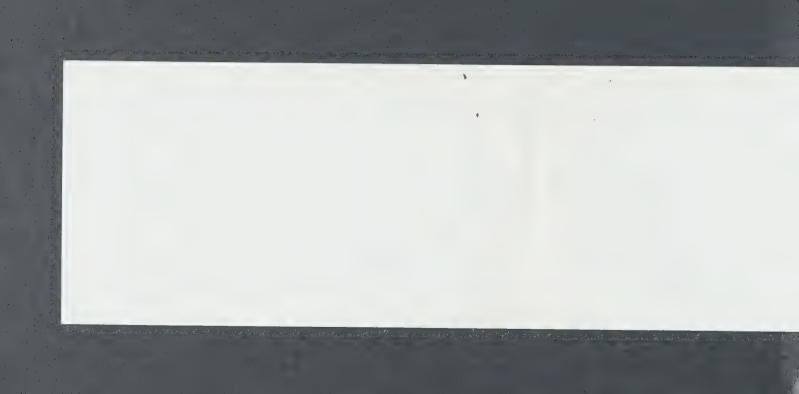
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February 28, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

Neville Orgel replied "I can recall the picture which I attributed to Jordaens at the time but I have no record of where I purchased it. Probably at a small auction somewhere."

With best regards I remain

Yours sincerely,

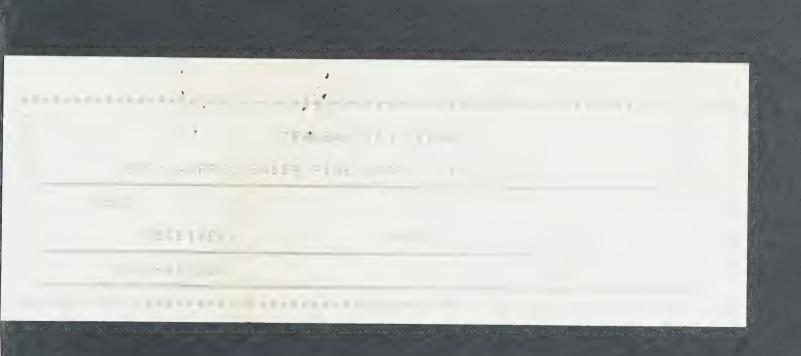
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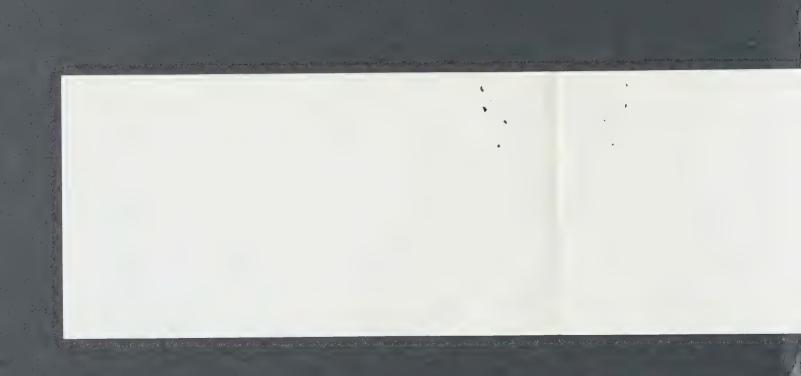
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March 7, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Mr. Hall,

Would you please confirm by fax that the five paintings which we sent have safely been received in the old masters department.

With thanks and best regards I remain

Yours sincerely,

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(Mrs.) Ann Zuehlke Secretary



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Thank you for consigning property to Sotheby's. This confirms our agreement under which property which is consigned by you and is listed on Schedule I hereto (the "Property") will be offered by us for sale at auction, subject to the following terms and our standard Conditions of Sale and Terms of Guarantee to be printed in the catalogue for the sale, by which you hereby agree to be bound. As used herein, "we", "us" and "ours" mean Sotheby's, Inc., and "you" and "your" mean Alfred Bader Fine Art.

1. <u>The Auction</u>. The Property will be offered for sale in our Old Master Paintings sale on May 23, 2001, subject to postponement for reasons beyond our control. In connection with any auction, we will have absolute discretion as to (a) consulting any expert either before or after the sale, (b) researching the provenance of the Property either before or after the sale, (c) grouping the Property into lots and providing catalogue and other descriptions as we believe appropriate, (d) the marketing and promotion of the sale and (e) the manner of conducting the sale.

2. <u>Commission</u>. You will pay us selling commission equal to 2% of the hammer price of each lot of Property sold. You authorize us to charge the buyer and retain for our account a commission on each lot sold (the "buyer's premium"). The Conditions of Sale in the catalogue for each auction will state the rate at which the buyer's premium will be assessed against the buyer, and such rate will be a percentage of the successful bid price of each lot sold.

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Amount. Such insurance will automatically be arranged by us and you authorize and instruct us, whether or not the Property is sold, to pay insurance premiums on your behalf. The insurer's and our combined liability to you resulting from loss or damage to any lot of Property shall not exceed the Insurance Amount of such Property.

Insurance Amount. The amount of the insurance we are purchasing on your behalf and to which you agree is: (a) for Property which has been sold, the successful bid price (excluding buyer's premium), (b) for Property which has failed to sell at the auction, the reserve, or (c) for Property not yet offered for sale, the mean of our latest presale estimates. In the event of a total loss (Property which has been lost, or Property which has been damaged and has depreciated in value, in the insurer's opinion, by more than 50%), the insurer will pay you the foregoing amount, less in any case the selling commission and expenses payable by you under this Agreement, and the Property will belong to the insurer. In the event of a partial loss (Property which has been partially damaged or lost and has depreciated in value, in the insurer's opinion, by less than 50%), the insurer will either (i) pay you the amount of depreciation and such Property will be offered for sale or returned to you, or (ii) pay you the "Insurance Amount" for the Property as set forth in the preceding sentence, and the Property will belong to the insurer. Neither the insurer nor we will be liable for damage to frames or glass covering prints, paintings or other works, or for damage occurring in the course of any process undertaken by independent contractors employed with your consent (including restoration, framing or cleaning), or for damage caused by changes in humidity or temperature, inherent conditions or defects, war, nuclear fission or radioactive contamination.

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14. <u>Use of Name</u>. We may not use your name as owner of the Property when we offer it for sale, advertise or otherwise promote the sale, both before or after the auction.

15. <u>Legal Status</u>. If you are acting as a fiduciary in executing this Agreement and in the transactions contemplated hereunder, please sign and return to us our standard "Fiduciary Agreement".

If you are acting as an agent for someone who is not signing this Agreement, you and your principal jointly and severally assume your obligations and liabilities hereunder to the same extent as if you were acting as principal.

16. <u>Amendment</u>. Neither you nor we may amend, supplement or waive any provision of this Agreement other than by means of a writing signed by both parties.

17. Miscellaneous. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. In the event of a dispute hereunder, you agree to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the state courts of and the federal courts sitting in the State and County of New York. This Agreement shall be binding upon your heirs, executors, beneficiaries, successors and assigns, but you may not assign this Agreement without our prior written consent. Neither party shall be liable to the other for any special, consequential or incidental damages. This Agreement, including the Schedules hereto, and the Conditions of Sale and any Terms of Guarantee constitute the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby and supersede all prior or contemporaneous written, oral or implied understandings, representations and agreements of the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. You agree that you will not disclose the terms of this Agreement to any third party without our prior written consent, except to attorneys and accountants on a need-to-know basis, or as a result of valid legal process compelling the disclosure, provided you first give us prompt written notice of such service of process and allow us, if we deem it appropriate, to obtain a protective order. Any notices given hereunder to you or us shall be in writing to the respective address indicated on the first page of this Agreement (or to such other address as you or we may notify the other in writing) and shall be deemed to have been given



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Please confirm your agreement with the foregoing by dating, signing and returning to us the duplicate copy of this Agreement.

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ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO:

ALFRED BADER FINE ART

By:_____

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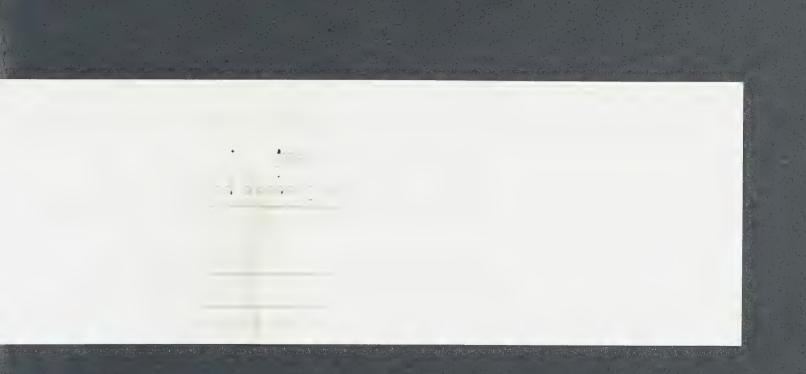
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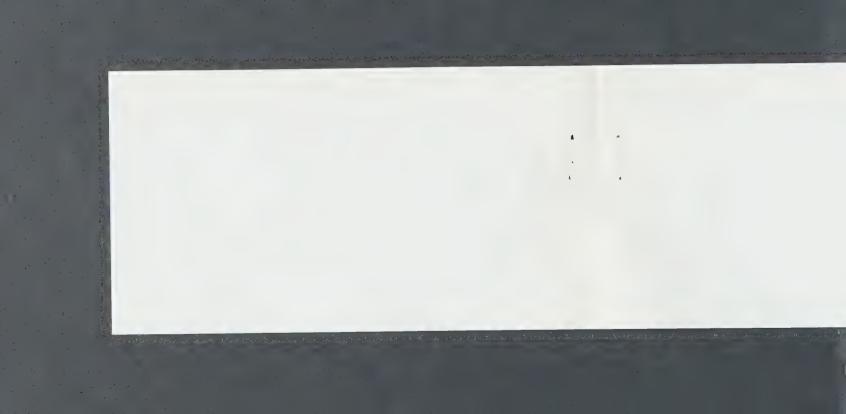
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April 30, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

Looking over the paperwork for your May 23rd sale, I believe that I have not signed the papers for Lot 80, but of course will sign the Agreement when I receive it.

It would be great if all five of our paintings sold. Unfortunately I do not see any Rembrandt school paintings of the quality of the Eeckhout I bought in January.

Lot 43 is interesting, but I did not bid on it in the previous auctions and still do not really like it.

With all good wishes I remain

Man

Alfred Bader AB/az





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March 14, 2001

Benjamin Hall, Sr. Vice President Old Masters Department Sotheby's New York 1334 York Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Ben,

Enclosed is the photograph of the little Venetian painting I just acquired. It is labeled Francesco Guardi which surely it is not. To me, it looks closer to Bison, but you will know better.

The painting is in good condition but the simple frame is a bit beat up. But surely it would be better to leave it like that.

The enclosed correspondence with the son of a very old friend will be self-explanatory.

George Gordon called me today explaining that he was very angry about the Rotari. I urged him not to be angry, saying that I can understand his being disappointed, but not angry.

With best regards I remain

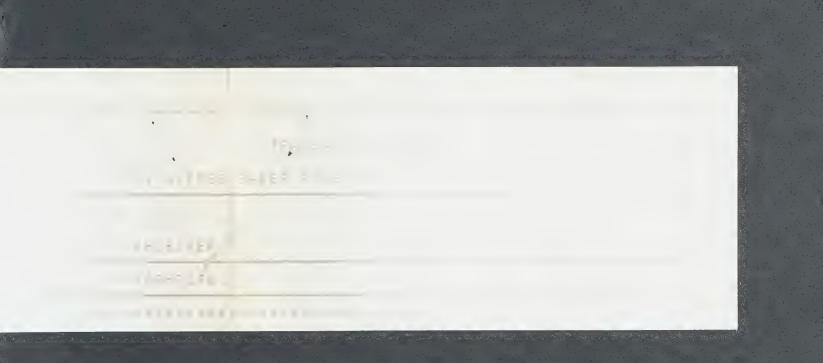
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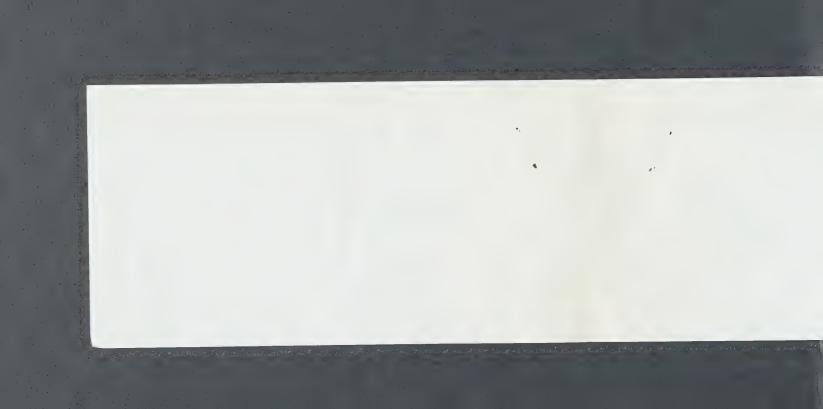
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March 16, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

We have just received your Consignment Receipt #M246848.

With the four paintings receipted, we also sent you the painting of the chess player perhaps by Klimt. Please send receipt.

To turn now to the fine print on the back of your receipt: Paragraph 3 – there should be no special expenses. Paragraph 4 – as discussed, please do not use my name. Paragraph 6 – we carry the insurance on the shipment from here to New York, but Sotheby's will insure, at its expense, while the paintings are in New York.

I look forward to your confirmation and with best wishes remain

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February 26, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

US Art Company have picked up two packages this morning. Both are consigned to you.

One contains the two battle scenes and the other contains the Jordaens, the Lievens and the perhaps Klimt. They are scheduled to arrive between March 5^{th} and 7^{th} .

Please acknowledge safe receipt by fax.

With best regards I remain

ad Alfred Bader

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February 26, 2001

TO: George Gordon Sotheby's London

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FAX #: 011 44 207-293-5943

Dear George,

You will recall that for some two years we have been discussing the possibility of Sotheby's New York selling my beautiful *Curtain*. Various art historians have suggested that it is Bolognese, perhaps Graziani, or Flemish and you told me on March 10, 2000 that you were thinking of Francesco Trevisani.

By a combination of ability and chance, my good friend, Dr. Otto Naumann, found the solution which is most surprising. He first noticed a series of these similar drapery studies by Pietro Rotari in Petrograd Palace near St. Petersburg and then discovered the identical painting by Pietro Rotari in The Hermitage, depicted behind the curtain in my picture. This is of King Alexander and the wife of Darius (not of Alexander and Roxane).

My painting, Otto found, is described in detail in a book that appeared in Dresden in 1999, *Pietro Graf Rotari in Dresden*, by Gregor J. M. Weber. Weber describes my painting as "das vielleicht merkwürdigste Gemälde Rotaris, das Bravourstück eines *Trompe L'oeils*".

Clearly you were not far off to think of Trevisani, the teacher of Rotari, but surely my painting is far more important because of the facts described in Weber's book. I presume that it was painting in Dresden or St. Petersburg in the 1750s.

Would you consider offering my painting in one of your future New York sales, with it on the cover? Surely you could not think of a better cover: Raise the curtain and see what is inside.

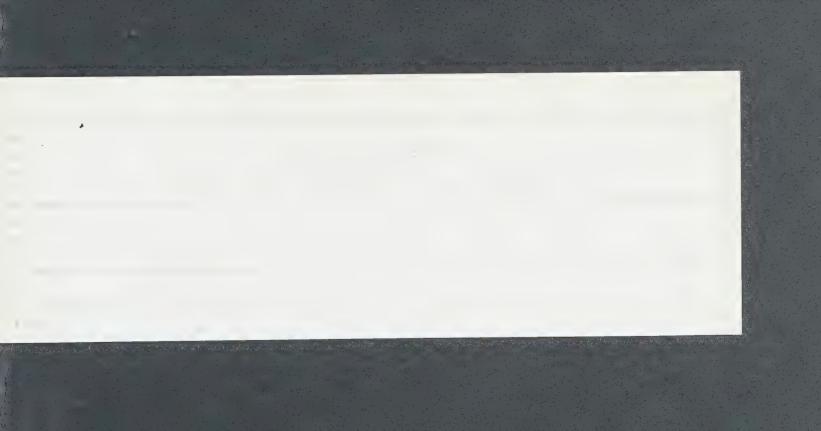


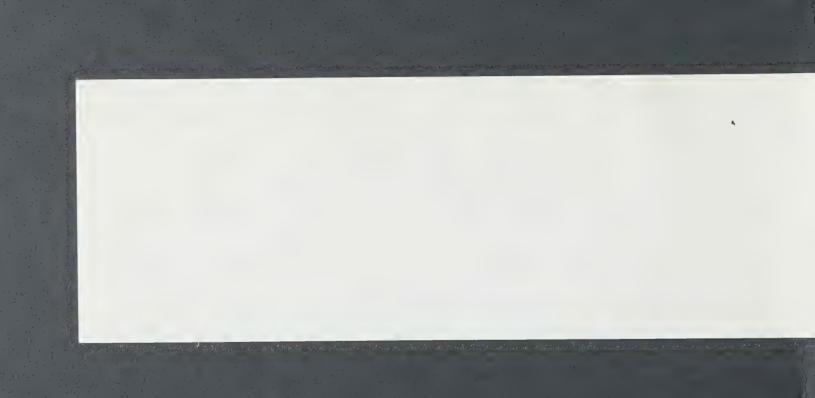
Your May sale will, I believe, have five of my old master paintings, none of which is as exciting as this Rotari.

With all good wishes I remain

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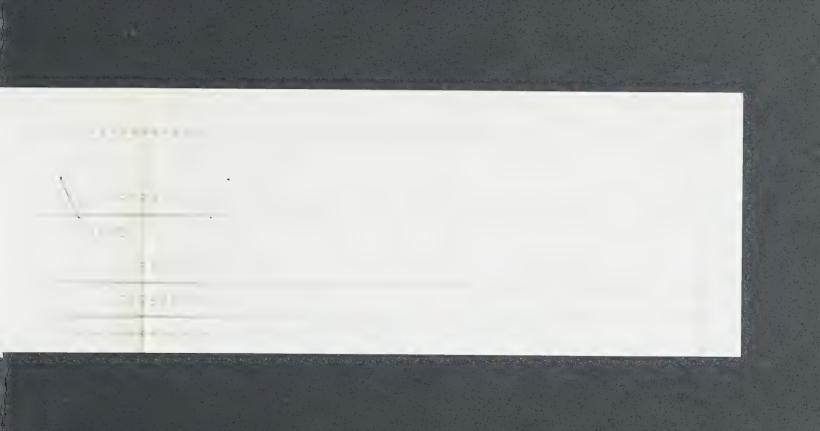


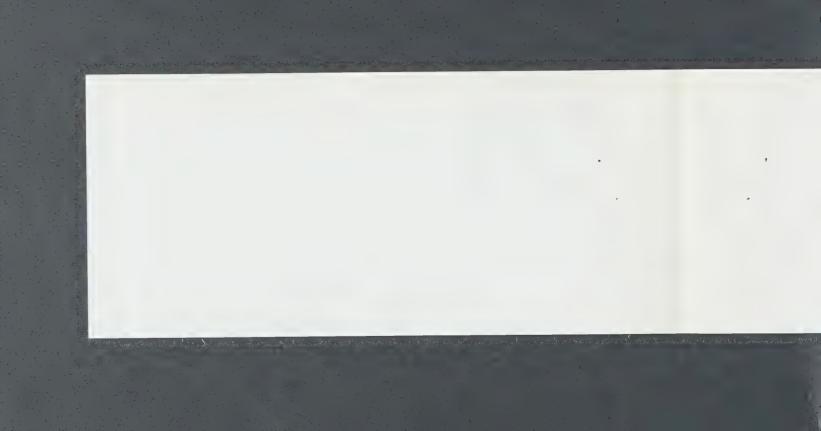




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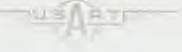
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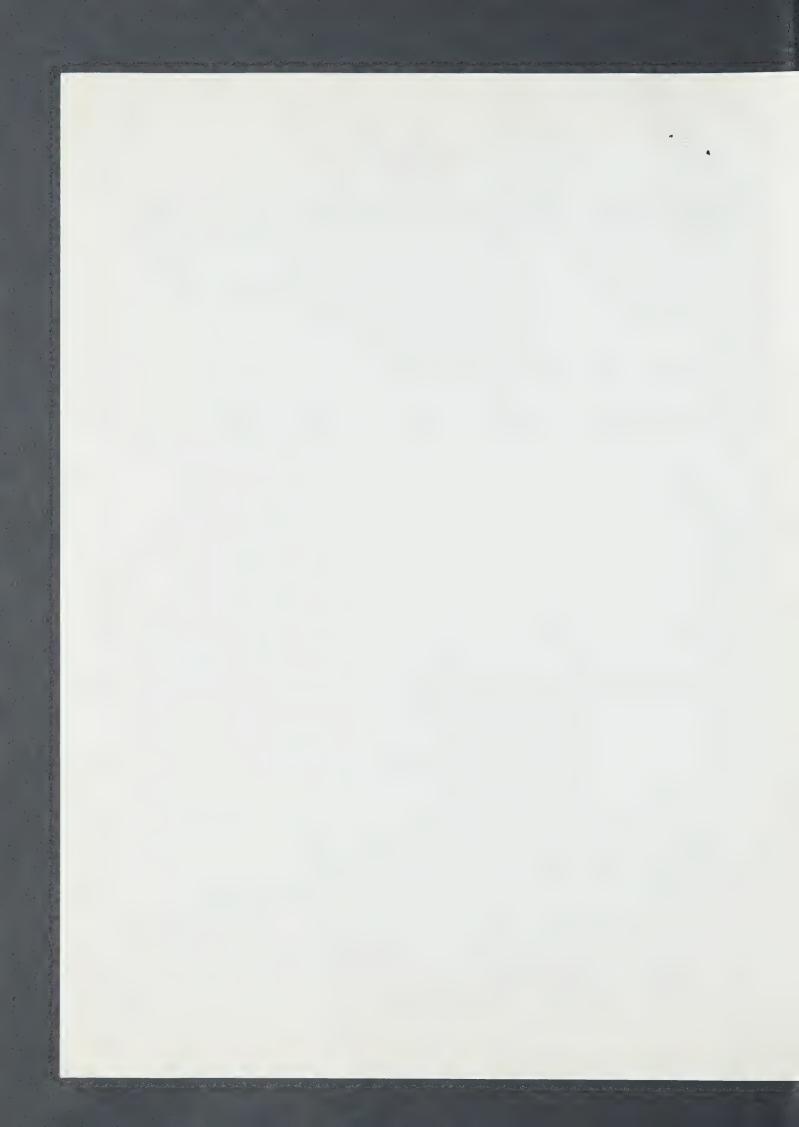


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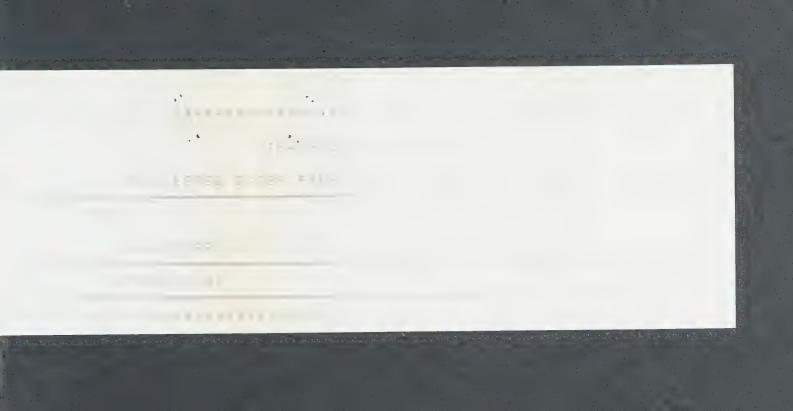


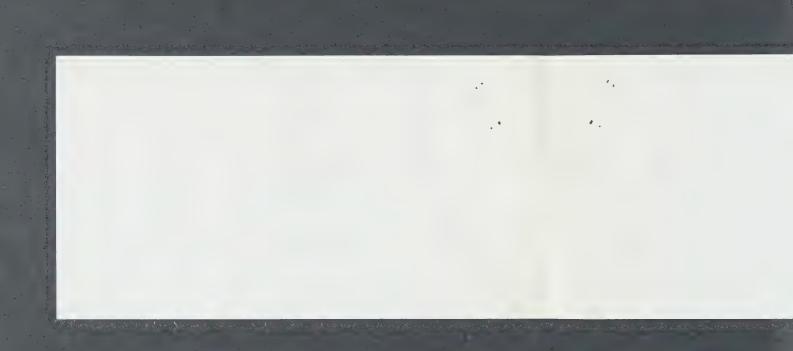


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February 13, 2001

TO:

Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

Thank you for your letter of the 9th.

As you know, I do not care whether you call the pair of battle scenes Casanova or Falcone as long as they can be offered with a full name.

The paintings are carefully packed and we are told by U.S. Art Company that they will pick them up on February 26 or 27 and deliver them to you in New York between March 5 and March 7. I do hope that this will allow you to offer them in your May New York sale.

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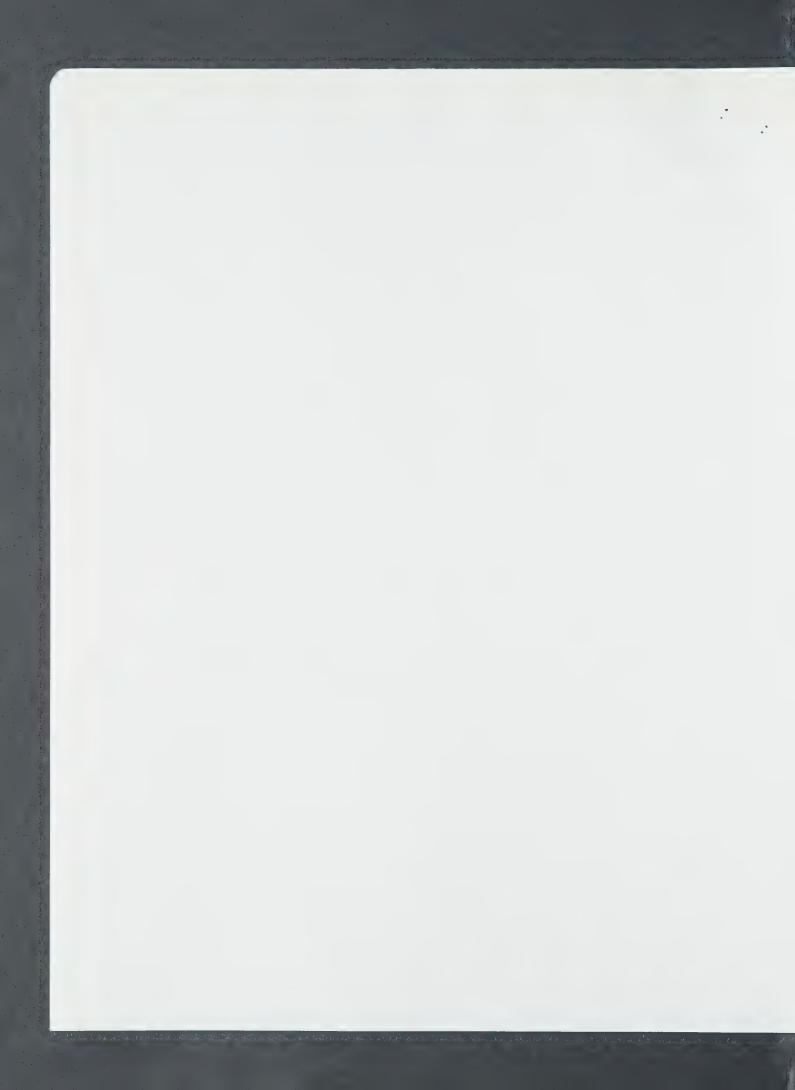
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Yours sincerely,

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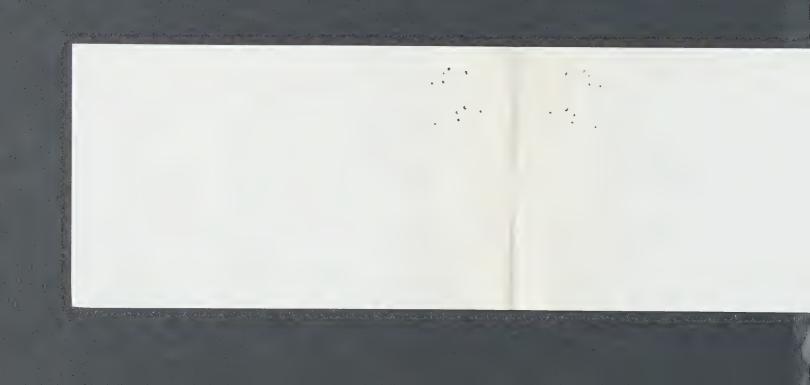
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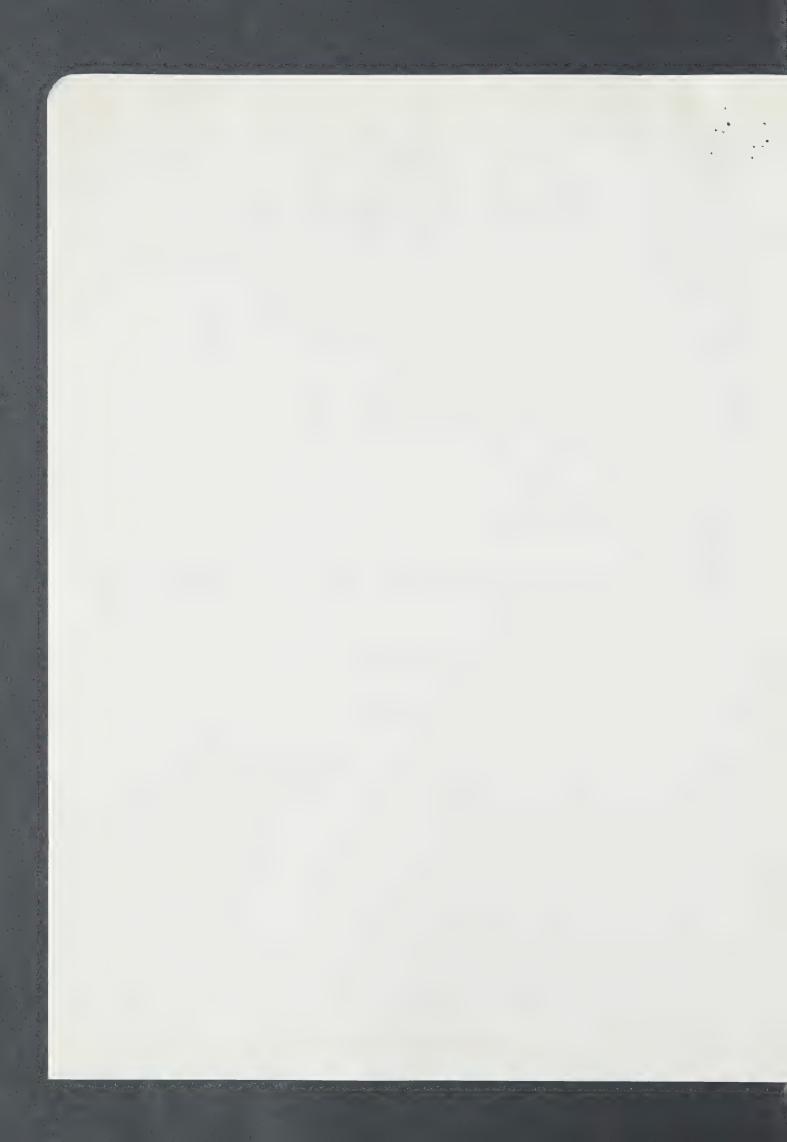
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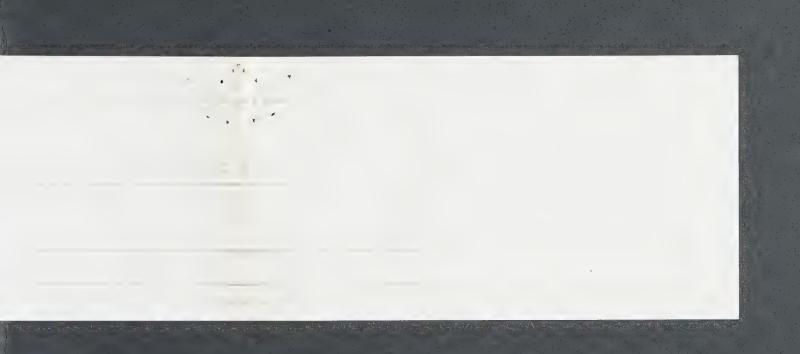
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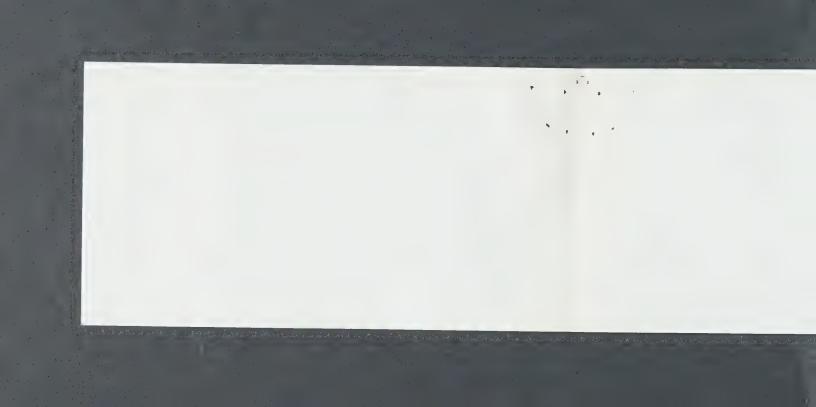
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February 13, 2001

TO: Mr. Benjamin Hall, Vice President Sotheby's New York

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FAX #: 212/606-7236

Dear Ben,

In going over our notes for the painting of *Teacher and Student*, I failed to note that Christopher Brown visited us at home in March of 1999 and then told me that he had no doubt whatever that this painting is by Jordaens.

With best regards I remain

Yours sincerely,

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March 22, 2001

Mr. Benjamin Hall Vice President, Old Master Paintings Department Sotheby's 1334 York Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Ben,

Thank you for your letter of March 16th and our conversation yesterday.

I look forward to receiving the receipt for the perhaps Klimt.

Thank you also for assuring me that Sotheby's will tell me where ABFA paintings have gone to after your sales. All we have to know is whether they stayed in New York City, or in New York state, or to what state they were sent. Of course you cannot tell me the identity of the buyer, but the destination affects our tax payment as an "S" Corporation.

I am not at all surprised with your decision about Mr. Garcia's painting. My worry would be that if you offered it with a \$10,000 reserve it might not sell.

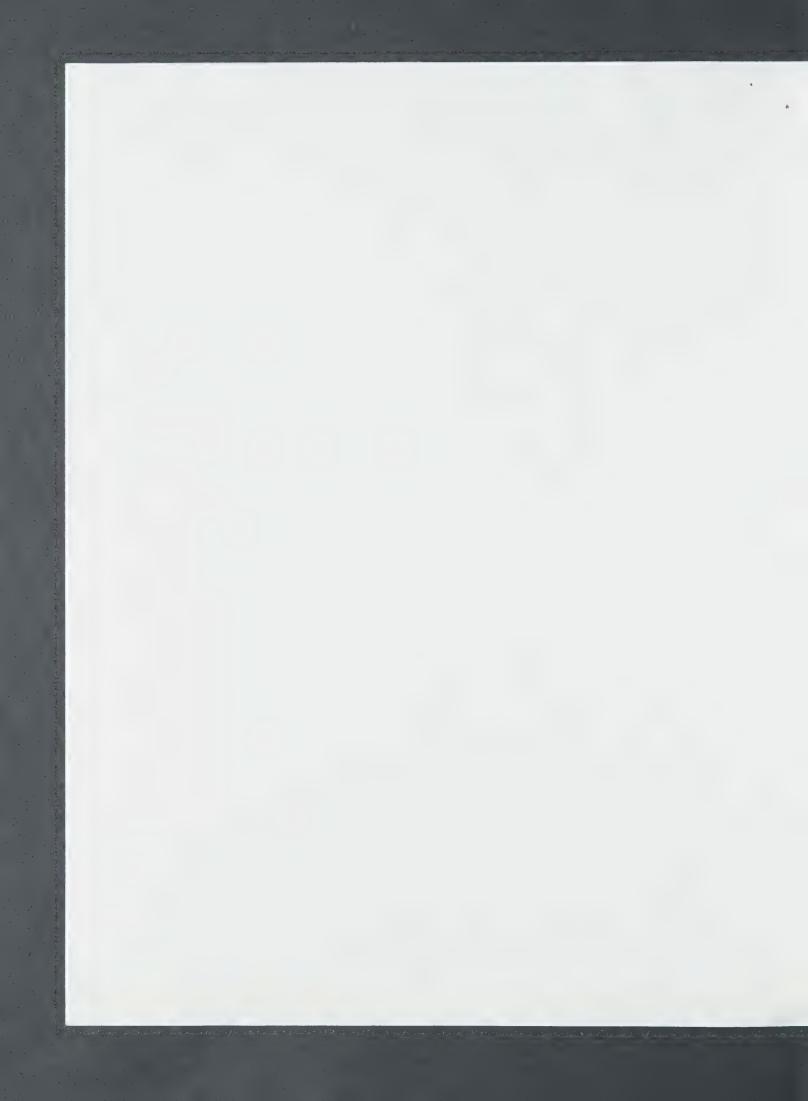
The painting which I traded for a violin with my good friend, Joe Karabinos, many years ago is a much better painting and I would be pleased if you could handle it.

Enclosed is a black/white photograph and a snapshot of our French portrait which really is so charming. As you know, I own this with Otto Naumann. Please do let me know what Christopher Cells says. Should he require a color transparency I will have one made.

Thank you for sending me that interesting paper on Sheepshanks, which I plan to share with Dr. Arnold Thackray, the President of the Chemical Heritage Foundation, which now owns the Bega *Alchemist*.

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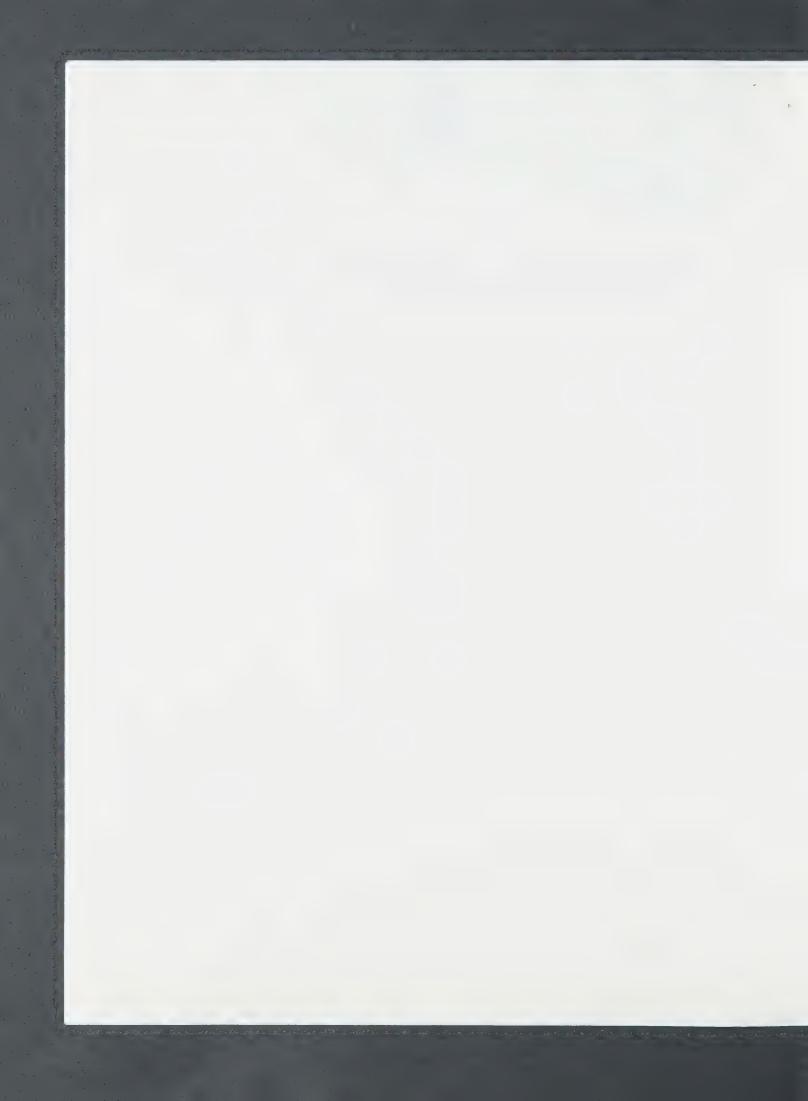
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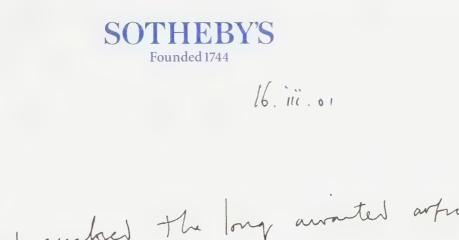
Thank you also for sending me the paper by Stechow. He was the kindest, most knowledgeable, most helpful art historian I have ever know. I found another copy of the *Oberlin Bulletin* and that is enclosed.

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,

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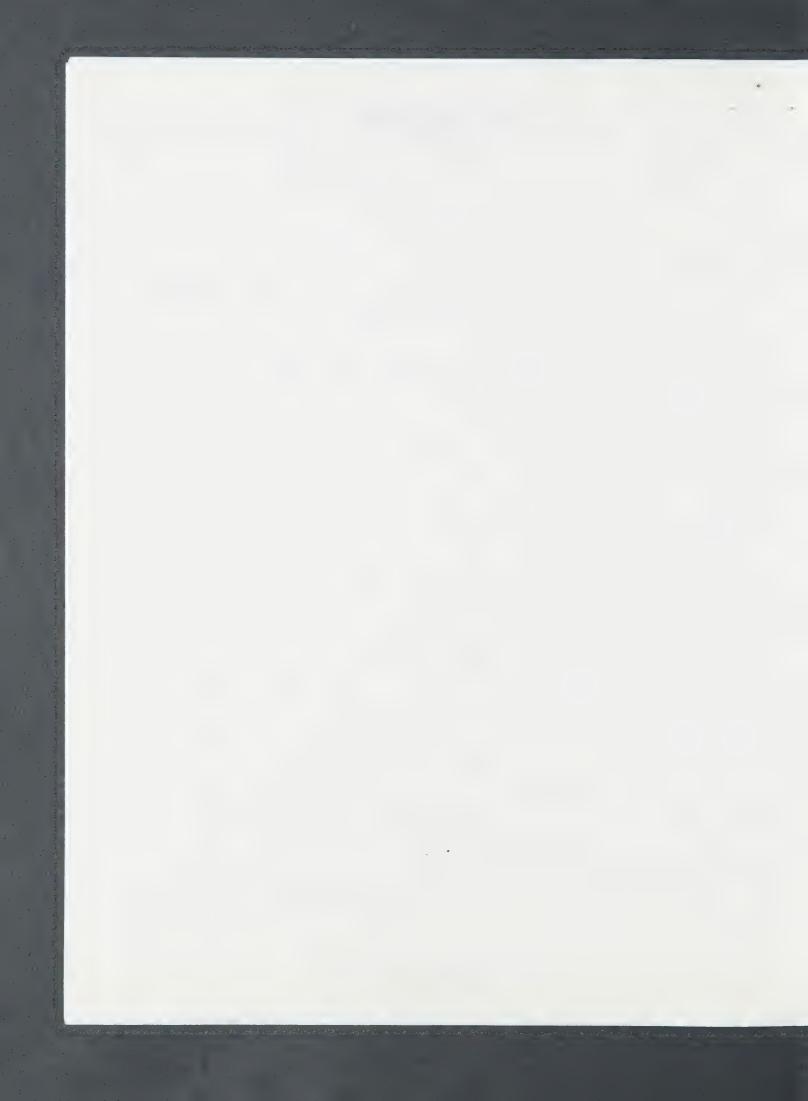




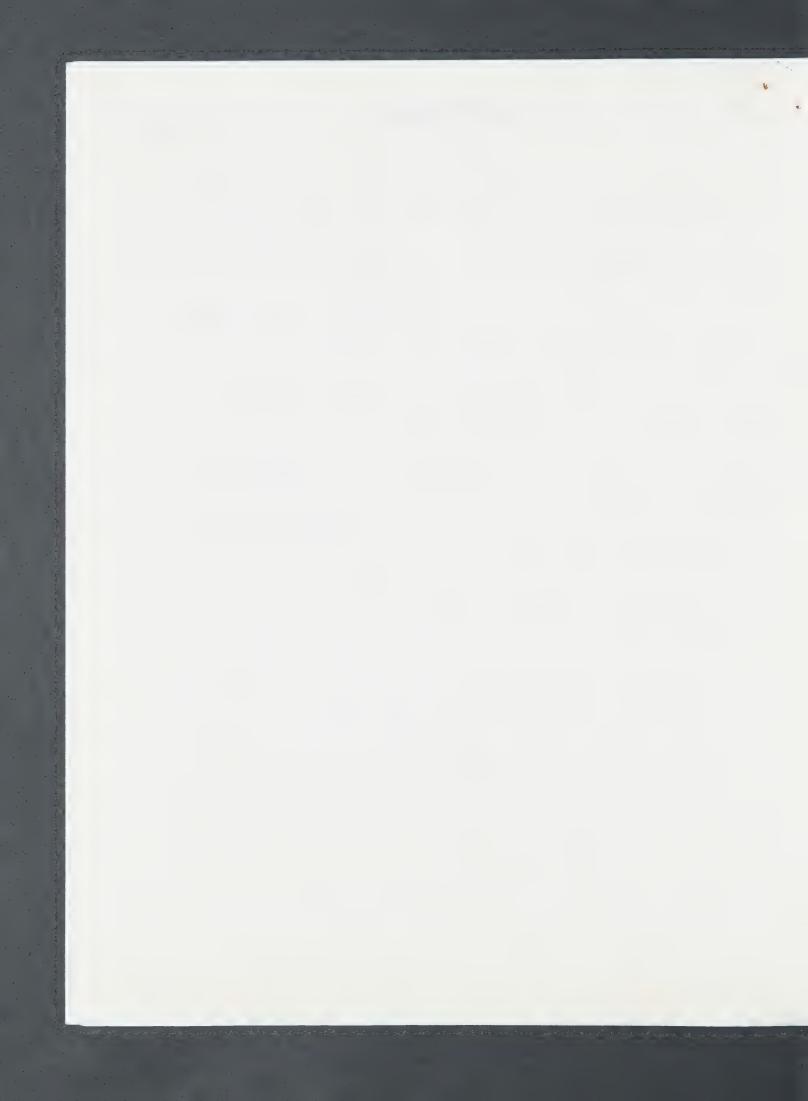
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March 23, 2001

Ms. Ann Zuehlke Alfred Bader Fine Art 924 East Juneau Avenue #622 Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Ms. Zuehlke:

At the request of Mr. Ben Hall in the Old Master Paintings department, I am in the process of researching the painting *Portrait of a Man Smoking* attributed to Gustav Klimt. Enclosed you will please find a receipt for this work, which is currently being stored in the Impressionist and Modern Art department.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone (212) 606-7360, fax (212) 606-7037 or email <u>robyn.dunn@sothebys.com</u>. Thank you, and I will be in touch as soon as I have pertinent information regarding the painting.

Sincerely, Robyn Dunn

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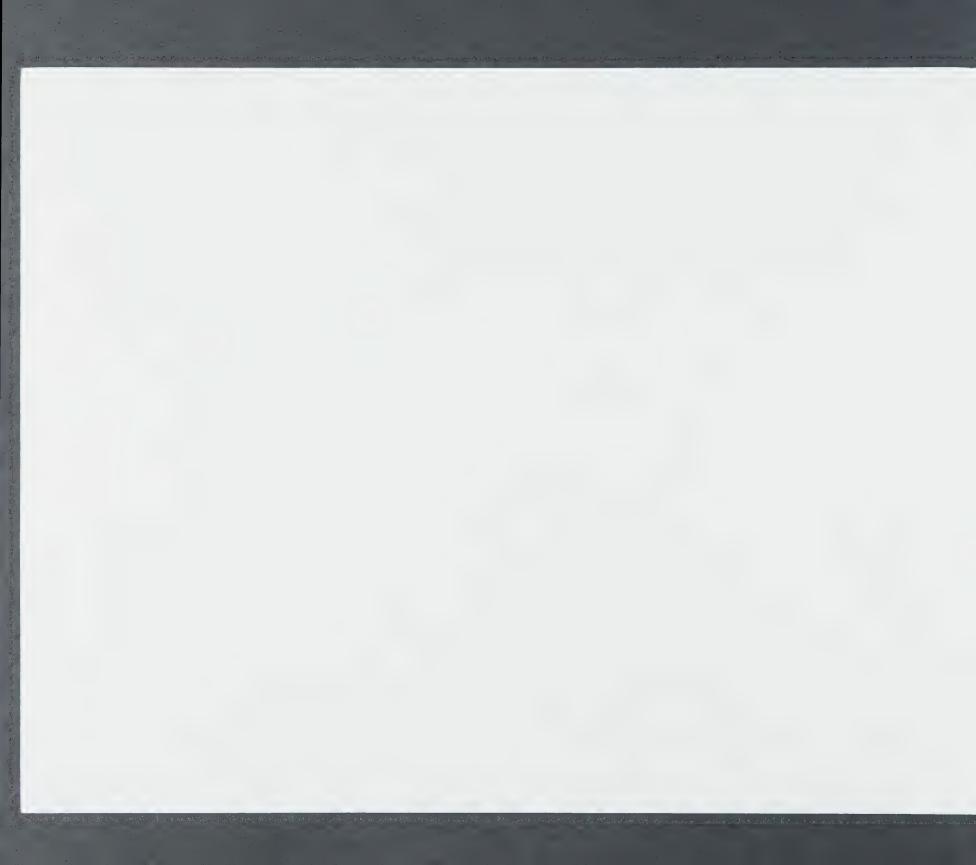
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January 7, 2002

TO: George Gordon Sotheby's London Page 1 of _1_

FAX #: 011 44 207-293-5943

Dear George,

Isabel and I so look forward to your staying with us from Sunday, January 27th, to Tuesday, the 29th. Please just let me know on which flight you will be arriving, so that we can pick you up at the airport.

I have carefully studied the three Sotheby's NY catalogues I received. There is nothing of interest to me in the Revolutionary catalogue.

The sale of 48 paintings sold without reserves will of course be most interesting because surely selling without a reserve is a first, at least during the last many years. Unfortunately, the buyer did not use particularly good judgment in what he purchased. I myself was the underbidder on the Eeckhout in the NY Historical Society sale. Looking at the painting now, I am glad that I did not purchase it. It is so very dark and after a print after Rubens.

Your main catalogue has some fine paintings and I hope to acquire at least one, if not more. But I will ask Otto to bid for me, and then hear all the gory details when you visit us.

We plan to be in Amsterdam for the Rembrandt Symposium at the very end of May. Will there be any Sotheby's auctions of old masters either in Amsterdam or in London around that time?

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,

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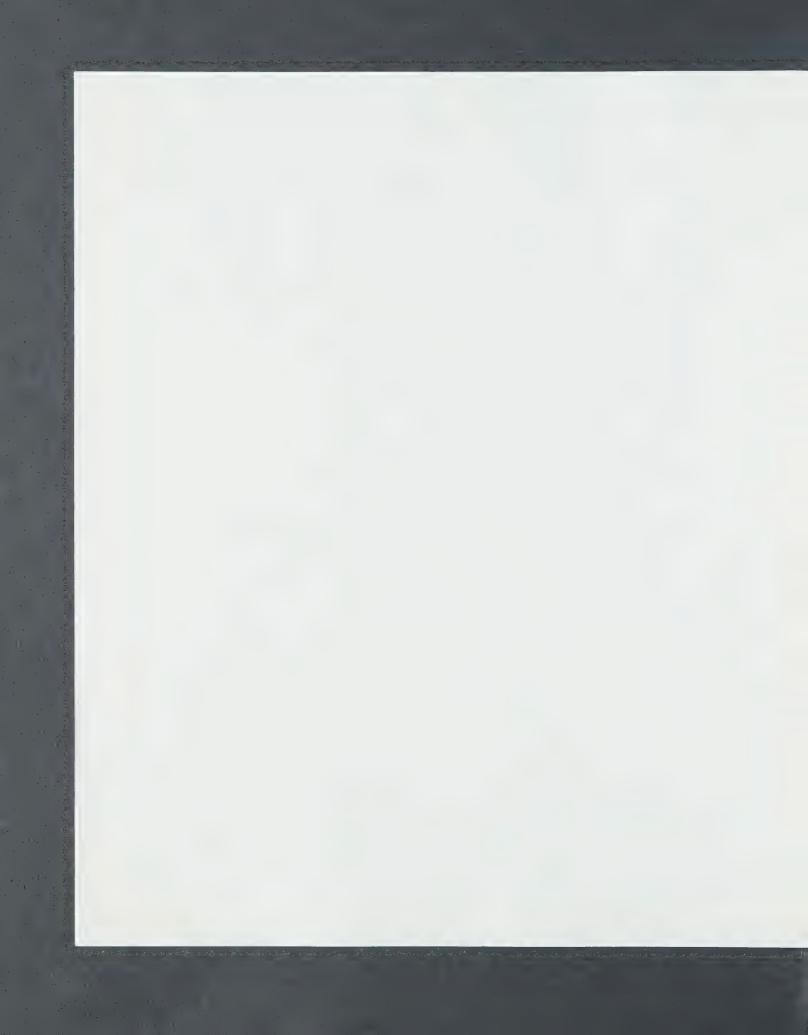


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3rd May 2002

Jeer Alfr,

Thank you for your letter, bringing evidence that our courier service is delivering on time these days. Many consider technical analyses to be of paramount importance these days: frankly, I find that reading them demands great patience.

I have had discussions with the family of the owner of the Rubens. Because she is 88, she is not prepared to contemplate a very long term of payment. However, I believe the following will be acceptable, although I do not have it confirmed in writing yet:-

£3 million due at 90 days (this includes your standard credit terms; it is not 90 days plus 30 days). The remainder due at 180 days.

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Lot 35 Rembrandt Harmensz. Van Rijn, a Portrait of a Young Woman

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Yours sincerely,

Michael Hart

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By fax: 00 1 414 277 0709

Dear Dr Bader

Thank you for your fax to George Gordon, which we received this morning

George is currently travelling on business and returns to the office on Enday 1 will make sure he sees you fax upon his return and he will be in contact with you directly.

In the meantime if there is onlything I can do to help in George's absence please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely.

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February 10, 2004

TO: George Gordon Sotheby's London Page 1 of /

FAX #: 011 44 207-293-5943

Dear George,

Ben Hall told me that it was you who had suggested that the *Lot and His Daughters* is by Abraham Bloemaert. As so often, you were right. It is signed and dated A.Bloemaert 1624 close to where the false Rubens inscription was.

I don't have to tell you how happy I am about this.

Isabel and I plan to be in Stuttgart on Monday, June 21st. I wonder whether we might visit with Professor Sumowski's good friend, Dr. Rudolph, to explain my chagrin personally.

Allow me to discuss this with you when I see you in London on Friday, March 19th, when I will be delivering the van Goyen drawing.

Bill Robinson stayed with us earlier this week and confirmed that this is really a fine van Goyen drawing.

With best wishes,

Alfred Bader AB/az



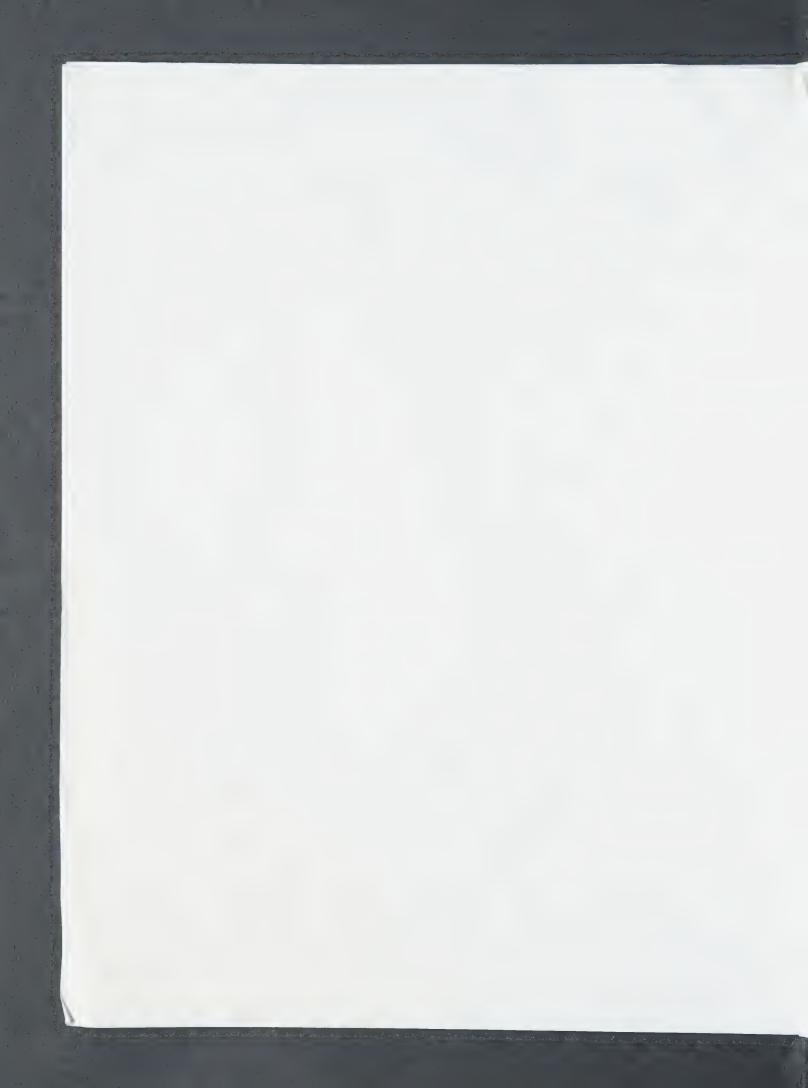
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Fax: 00 1 414 277 0709

Fre Alfred,

I am absolutely delighted at the news about the Bloemaert and its uncovered signature, and no less pleased about the imminent arrival of the Van Goyen drawing

Last weekend I drove from Geneva to Dijon to see the exhibition of Rembrandt and Rembrandt School paintings from the Hermitage. I am well aware that the Hermitage has perhaps the best holdings of Remabrandts in the world, and I have seen them there myself, but I had no idea that they had so many good paintings by his pupils – a marvellous group of Ferdinand Bols, a very moving Hoogstraeten self-portrait, a lovely Drost, and many other treasures besides. Nearly all the paintings came from the Hermitage (they had the Munich Abraham and Isaac for comparison), but the organisers had borrowed many drawings and prints related to the paintings.

I will let you know when I have more news on the Dr. Wilhelm/Sumowski front.

Your personal and confidential letter finally arrived here a few days ago. The painting to which you refer is indeed a fine one, and I hope that you will have the opportunity to bid on :t at auction at some point in the future. Indeed, I think this is likely.

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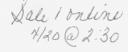
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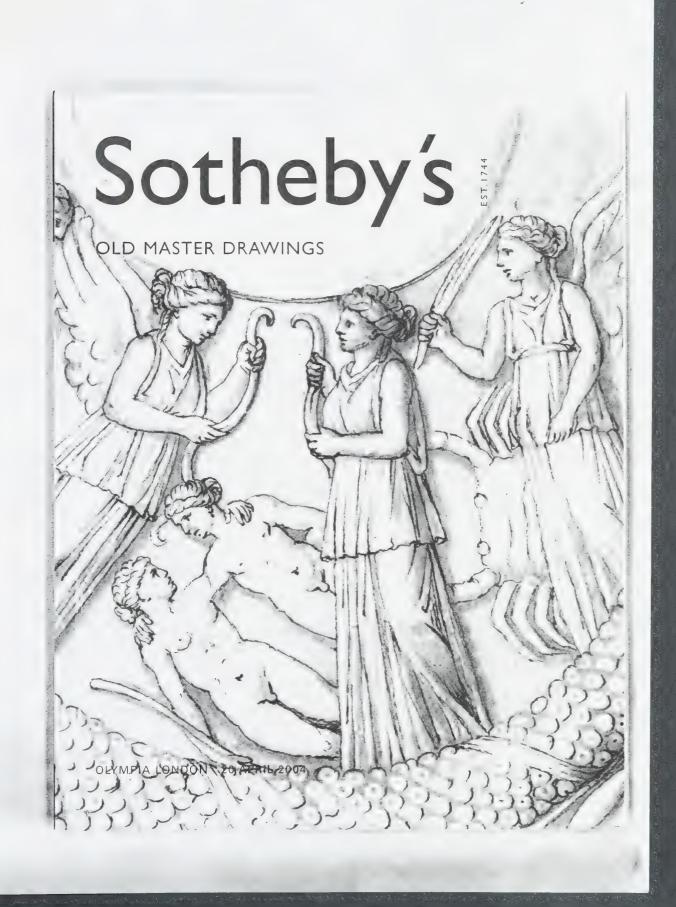
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May 10, 2004

TO: George Gordon Sotheby's London

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FAX #: 011 44 207-293-5943

Dear George,

The longer I look at the transparency of the Rubens which you gave me, that painting of the old woman almost burning her fingers, the better I like it. Shortly before the sale I will ask you what the payment terms will be. Or, if you know now, please let me know now.

I am glad to see that the two paintings you and Richard Charlton-Jones picked in Milwaukee are in your May 27th New York sale. I told you in my gallery that the Berckheyde, now lot 22, had been sold in the Dorotheum, lot 113, on March 4, 1997. However, I did not buy it at that sale but I understand that a collector from Dresden bought it. I purchased it later, not at auction.

Please do remember that Isabel and I will be in Stuttgart the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, June 22nd. We will be happy to meet with Dr. Wilhelm but learning what Sumowski did recently to one of your customers, Bob Demchuk, to whom he gave an expertise for a painting Bob bought from you, attributing the painting to Kneller, and charging Bob \$1,000 amazes me also. Douglas Stewart, who knows a great deal about Kneller, assured him that it is not by Kneller. Sadly, Sumowski is likely to be not at all well to act like this. Incidentally, I received no reply from the dealer I asked to return Sumowski's letter.

With all best wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,

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deer April.

Many thanks for your fax received today. I univery pleased that you like the Rubers so much. I have been trying hard to find out why Rubens painted this seemingly subjectless picture, which he kept for himself all his life, and made the subject of one of only two prints that he himself etched. The legend on the print, which we know was of his own devising, not the publisher's, because he interfeed a proof state of the print in his own hand, suggest a Neo-Platonic meaning, perhaps to be read in religious terms, which is why I have asked two fesuit scholars to help me read it. But I do not think that Rubens set out to paint the subject suggested by the legend, he may well have superimposed the interpretation between circa 1616-17, when he painted u, and circa 1622, the year of the print. It would have been typical of the man to have meditated at length upon the painting (he followed the meditative spintual exercises of St. Ignatius), and to have arrived at a meaning for it.

My guess is that some terms on the Rubens will be available. I think it is a bit early at this stage to tak to the owner, out we are dealing with an individual here, not an *erbangemainschaft* (the picture does not come from Germany, but sometimes the German word is the easiest), so we not dealing with lawyers, executors, or any form of multip's ownership or through an intermediary, so we do not need to start the ball rolling months in advance

Alfred, I have talked at length again to Dr. Wühelm. He in turo talked at length to Womer Sumowski a few days ago, who alas said again that his mind was made up. Dr. Wilheim, who is very experienced in dealing with people and a very diplomatic man whom Sumowski respects a lot, sensed that he really does mean this. I think he even said that he is too old to undo it all again tow. He told Dr. Wilhelm that he had returned your letter (though Dr. Wilhelm knew this already from me). He did say that he very much likes and respects Frau Bader, with whom he has no quarrel. I will speak to Isabel about this at some point.

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I thanked Dr. Wilhelm ("herzhoù") for his efforts, because I am sure that he has done his best. He asked that his name be omitted from all and any accounts of this sad affair (he did not tell Werner Sumowski that I had asked him to intercede), and I must ask you to respect this. If you are writing an account of it all, please limit any mention of hum to the oblique - "a local friend of Sumowska", or it you bring me in to it, a "mutual friend" or something like that. I would like to be able to give Dr Wilhelm my word that he will not be mentioned.

I had hoped to get to Stuttgart this Spring, and will my to go sometime soon if I can, and when I do, will visit both Wether Samowski and Dr. Wilhelm When I see Sumowski, I will raise this sad matter, but I think it would be counter-productive to do so other than in direct dialogue; so not, for example in a letter.

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Dear Alfred

Many thanks for your fax. It is always nice to hear from you and I hope you are both well and in good spirits.

The catalogue of the 15th June sale and all the information relating to the painting will be waiting for you at Bexhill next week. As you may imagine, the picture has attracted a great deal of interest and is expected to do very well.

With all best wishes

Yours sincerely

Richard

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Alas I cannot give you the name and address of the people in Liverpool without their permission, which I will seek on your behalf.

The Vermeer was boucht by an anonymous buyer. Naturally, I am not at all happy about your proposed text. Lot 8 in our July 8 sale is not "said to be by Vermeer", it is by him. It is slanderous of you to suggest that the buyer bought it for the name rather than the quality. You to so on the sole basis that you happen not to like the picture, and you have no grounds for impugning the buyer's motifs for buying it. The buyer, who has in my opinion a very good eye and a deep understanding of pictures, adores the Vermeer, and like the rest of us, has no difficulty in recognising in it the heart and soul of this great master.

The Rembrandt self-portrait that we sold last July was not at all mediocre - indeed I distinctly recall that you were keen to buy it at an earlier stage. If your next volume of memoirs is going to be full of remarks like these, I will offer my services as a reviewer when it is published.

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GaarAlfrel,

Thank you for your various letters, received while I was abroad. The painting of a head of an old woman, which I intimated to you was likely to come up for sale in January, will not now come to auction until later, because of various delays that have occurred. I know this will be at least a slight disappointment to you, but these things happen, and such matters are better not rushed.

I assume that you have been sent John Goodall's fascinating article in the Burlington Magazine about Herstmonceaux Castle. If not, please let me know, and I will send it to you.

I regret that I have not been able to go to Stuttgart as I had hoped earlier, due to various complications here in late July, but I do still plan to go soon.

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Dear Alfred and Isabel,

It was such a great pleasure to see you both on my recent trip to Milwaukee and I hope that you enjoyed the recording of the Art Market chat that Tanya Paul and I had at the museum. I hope it wasn't too boring, but I have to say for me personally, it is a really nice way to engage an audience. It is certainly much better than me lecturing and sending people to sleep!

As promised, straight off the presses, please find enclosed a copy of the catalogue of the Weldon Collection. The Weldons were famous collectors of paintings of the Dutch and Flemish Golden Age, and perhaps over the years, your paths crossed. This catalogue is a pretty complete overview of their collection and a testament to their passion for art, and their dedication in finding beautiful paintings by some of the greatest Netherlandish artists of the 17th Century. This dedication and this unflagging devotion to Dutch art is something that you both share with them.

Let me know if I can get you any further information about any of the paintings in the sale, or can help in any other way.

Best,

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Christopher T. Apostle Senior Vice President Director, Old Master Paintings

