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Prof. Joshua Lederberg
Stanford University
Medical Center
Department of Genetics
P a l o A l t o, Calif.

Dear Joshua,

this is to keep you up to date
with Interist.

No final decision has been taken yet. We have received a formal dismissal of the contract within the legal deadline and thus our financing should end with July 1964. We have however received, not formal offers, but hints that offers for renewal might be forthcoming both from Lepetit and, less clearly, from Schering. We will hear about Schering's proposals, if any, in December or January, when Luca will go there, while Lepetit will be in a position to make a formal offer only in February or March. They are now undergoing changes and have requested us not to make a separate agreement with Schering before consulting them.

In the present circumstances, we can only guarantee, in accord with our agreement, to pay your fees for the period January-June 1964, as our present contract with Interist expires at the latter date. But we would be very grateful if you would not take other engagements for consulting

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on antibacterial substances until the end of March 1964, or at least until one of us will see you.

We have been testing some fluoro DAP derivatives. The experiments are not complete, but there is nothing exciting sofar. We will resume fluoropoiesis soon.

Giovanni is now in the chair at Parma.

All the best,

Luca

L.L. Cavalli-Sforza

E. Magni

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