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Dear Dr. Lederberg,

Last night I had the good fortune to meet Carl Auerbach who knows my father-in-law at the London School of Economics. We were discussing my plans for visiting Madison. On the advice of the Commonwealth Fund I had decided to have my wife and child join me in March or April, next year, six months after I arrive. This was based on the assumption that furnished accommodation would be difficult to find. Auerbach suggested that at this time of year I might be able to arrange to rent furnished apartments from next September, the beginning of the next Academic year. If this can be done I could bring my wife and child with me in September. He further suggested that you might be able to help me find apartments.

There are three of us, my daughter will be two years old next week. We want to pay not more than \$100 a month inclusive of rent, gas, electricity, and heating. From Auerbach's description University Houses at Eagle Heights sound very attractive and he suggested someone might be willing to sublet a single bedroom apartment there to us. He suggested I might get in touch with Professor Julius Weinberg to ask him if he knows of anything there and I have written to him today. I am also writing to Miss Stemm of the University Housing Bureau.

The Fund will not agree to this change of plans unless my accommodation is fixed beforehand and so I would very much value your help and advice. Professor Keitt very kindly arranged a room for me at the Graduates Club according to my previous plans. I have today written to him telling him of my proposed change of plans and I have mentioned my letter to you.

Neither my wife nor I relish the prospect of six months separation if it is avoidable.

With kind regards,  
Yours sincerely,

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*P.S. If you can make a reservation  
on my behalf I would be very pleased.*