Copies à Mr F. JACOB Mr J. MONOD

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## Dear Josh :

1) Thank you for your letter of November 21 which enabled me to discuss with Monod your visit in concrete terms of time, space and ... money. Our means are very modest, but here is what we can, and would like, to do. We have a modest fund for covering the expenses of some foreign speakers at our "Cell physiology club" (which is at present run by François Jacob). One of the provisos of the fund is that the invited speaker is to spend a few days in Paris in order to have the opportunity of privates discussions with some parisian collegues. We hope that it will be possible for you to accept this invitation to spend a few days in Paris and to give a talk sometimes in March.

To cover the expenses of your and Esther's tripmoid visit we will be happy to offer you 60,000 francs.

If you accept, please, let François Jacob know your décision and tentative shedule.

- 2) In connection with Wright's results, we too have great doubts concerning the existence of completely neutral petites at the cellular level. This is one of the problems we are working on now.
- 3) I would be grateful for letting me know whether the ex-segregational petite 826 which I sent you some time ago still contains the recessive r.

Hoping to hear from you soon, and with kind regards to both of you,

As ever,