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Dear Professor Ferrater-Mora:

I have been remiss, I am sure, in not writing to you before now on the matter of the Weinberg lecture we trust you will give us next year. You gave us a choice of topics. Our audience will indeed include some philosophers, but it will also, if our tradition is effective, include scholars and students from a wide range of studies in the humanities departments, whose formal philosophic training is less than one might hope. We, therefore, had better not request "Means and Ends" or even "Rules and Games" though that intrigues me, but settle for the "Languages of History"

As for the time, we have no very good grounds for choices. There frequently are, as you can imagine, conflicting events and no amount of forethought will eliminate all of them. We prefer a spring lecture since our Johnson Professor will be here in the fall and we will have our Institute series which includes lectures from our visiting fellows.

In the spring the last week of February, as you suggested, is fine by the University calendar. Birute Ciplijauskaite suggests that February is frequently attended in Madison by unpredictable difficulties in transportation. She thinks you might prefer a date in the last week of March or the first week of April when travel is somewhat less subject to disruption. The day of the week seems to be immaterial as we await your suggestion.

Sincerely yours. Emmett L/ Bennett. Acting *pirector*

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