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Dear José: I am sorry I cannot come to honor you at the reception in April 3. There is going to be on that day a late afternoon a joint colloquium of Biology Chemistry and Physics Departments at which the speaker will be a Bryn Mawr alumna whom I taught in a number of courses when she was a biology major. As soon as the talk is over there will be a dinner party for her, and it would be very badly taken indeed if I were not to attend the whole [il·legible] I am fully of admiration for your intellect but also for your kidness, and I'm sorry not to be able to demonstrate the fact publicly. I shall try to come to the [il·legible] Saturday or Sunday –meantime please accept my [abject?] apologies for having to miss the party.

With the greatest of admiration and respect, Yours

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