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Dear Dr. Stern,

It was a good idea of Rabbi Lamm's to suggest that I telephone you and I hope that you and Ruthy feel likewise since our talk.

I have not the slightest doubt that our joint efforts will be very successful and all the participants will be very happy for the time which they spend together.

Local talent is available and has to be imbued with the spirit and approach which you have developed in the States. The more effort we can put into it the better, but as I am an impatient soul, I do not like to forego the three ~~10~~-day sessions plus the University students' weekend. You will note that I cut down the time from 10-~~12~~ days to possibly ~~10~~ days in order to be helpful and in order to allow the staff to have breathing space.

Immediately after your call, Ruthy and I spoke to each other and I do hope that she will get a letter away to you. Both of us are grateful that you have prepared material on ten different levels because I feel this may be needed. For the three ~~10~~ day seminars you have one age group in each, the bulk of which coming from one school, but we will try to mix it as far as possible.

I'm sure New Zealand Rabbis will be very happy to organise something for your trip and thereby ~~eliminate~~ the expenses if you wish to see that country.

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Regarding Hawaii, I have contacted the Airline to see whether they will meet 23 hours stopover expenses and I also asked my Travel Agent whether another 23 hours stopover expenses could be arranged at the Airline's expense somewhere else. I also may be able, without a promise, to throw in a single New York/London fare by Pan Am for a later date at the choice of the participant, but prior to 180 days since the start of the original trip. I also could add, immediately prior to the trip and without New York stopover facilities, a trip to start in London without any extra charge, but I doubt that this will be of particular value to any of the participants.

With the same mail I'm dropping a line to our good friend, Sol Green, who knows the Melbourne community very well. It was a privilege to have him and his family in our midst and we do look forward to his return visit some time. I guess he, together with Rabbi and Mrs. Lamm, will be able to fill you in on many of the local conditions and answer many of the queries that you may have.

I will also be in New York, Please G'd, just before or after Pesach and the Headmaster of our largest school, Mr. Ranoschy, just told me that he may be available in New York some time in March, and a meeting with him would naturally be very helpful.

Ruthy indicated that in the months December - February when there are University holidays, there is a lot of talent in an honorary capacity available, but such a period would not be suitable for you and therefore we have to avail ourselves of some of the Mt. Scopus College staff who, Thanks Goodness, are improving all the time and who may fill in in an advisory capacity and do such tasks to which you may delegate them.

I'm looking forward to meeting you personally, all the very best,

their teachers

Sincerely yours,

H.A. BACHRACH.