

Post PC(70)119/122
Must be 1 November 1967

Dear Neville,

Thank you for your long letter. I enclose a copy of a letter to Peter from which you will see that March is now accepted as a reasonable date for the conference. I have asked ^{Ernie} to pay Ernie £125 a month from when he starts to the conference. I also enclose copies of the press releases sent to me by the IOFTU for your information. When I have some news of the venue and the cost of it I will go to Brussels and get a budget approved. Where should the monies go when they become available?

Will you let me know the monies that you have had to advance to our artistic friend in order that I can get them reimbursed. The work is to come from the shippers today and J.C. will decide how to use it. The estimate of Christies is that he has a collection of modern art which should raise £40,000. I only hope that this is true.

In regard to Albert, I have spoken to J.C about him and this project and while he is interested I do not know that he will be in a mood to advance monies until his own coffers are filled. On the other hand once the letters come to light, I am pretty certain that I could get a hundred from him immediately. I would suggest this figure to start with.

I hope that you will have news of Thomas ^{Ngwenya} soon. I raised it with the IOFTU as a matter of some urgency and I would like to finalise it one way or the other.

The IOFTU fellow Ernie saw was probably John who I asked to see Ernie on his way to Basutoland. I have not heard from Ernie about it but I assume he is the person.

You will have seen what I wrote to Peter about the L.I. ^{Liberal Interact} The reasons for affiliating are very briefly.

1. They are the only likely source of funds in any measure.
2. They represent a very influential crosssection of European society and they will be of use to us politically if there is ever a threat to ban us.
3. They cut more ice than the Socialists broadly speaking and are the people we must convince concerning the wisdom of sanctions.

You will note that the Freedom fund did not get off the ground for reasons set out in my letter to Peter. I do not know whether it will ever be likely to do so now.

The trip to the Mediterranean is on business at the request of the people there and if Albert's letters come timeously I hope to arrange his matter as well. I will get in touch with M. as soon as my exams are over at the end of the week. Finally I hope to see David Astor next week as well. I shall write as soon as I hear.

yours,

John
Lang
Randolph?

Magnus A.
Marion Friedman?

PAC in Algiers?