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Dear Geoff,

At last I've managed to get some sense out of the college about your Anglo-Catalan conference. I'm afraid the news is bad. The main trouble is that yourare proposing a week-end conference. Birkbeck is officially closed at the weekend and the powers that be wouldn't consider letting 'outsiders' into it at that time. Another snag is that music wouldn't be allowed either. The only thing I can suggest, if you still want to come to Birkbeck, is to see if the conference could be held midweek. If so, I might be able to get round the objection to music here...what have they got against music anyway?

If you do decide to come to London, let me know, and I'll see if I can find out anything about accommodation. I can't think of anywhere except the University Halls of Residence and I believe these tend to get booked up early.

Life is pretty busy here, especially as
I am having to give extra lectures at
King's during Parker's loaf in Jamaica.
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