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Dear Jacques,

What a pleasant surprise to get your most welcome letter from Brazil. I am so very proud of you and all of the work that you have been doing in archaeology. You are indeed well-known throughout the world for your accomplishments. It must have been a most exciting experience in Brazil - particularly the beautiful girls and secondarily the beautiful materials. I do hope you were able to meet Tom Miller who is with the National University of Culture and Education. He is in Santa Catarina and is most interested in flintworking.

By the way, I sent two pieces of Bruneau jasper to you by the way of Peter Kelterborn from Zurich. I was anxious for you to meet him and thought by the way of introduction he could deliver the jasper. One of the pieces I polished; the other, hopefully, you may find some french lapidarian that will be able to polish it for you. In the meantime I will try to get you additional Bruneau jasper as well as other mineral specimens. I am sorry I wasn't aware of your interest in mineral specimens.

I am still so very sorry and embarrassed that I had to be ill while you were here and even when I was in the hospital I was heavily sedated and hardly got to tell you goodbye. Gene and Wilma, however, certainly enjoyed your company and everyone of your new friends here will be delighted when you will be able to return for a long stay. Hopefully when the Mexico City symposium is over you will be able to come to Idaho for several weeks. We hardly had a chance to even break a rock and there is so much yet to be done and explored in the way of primitive technology.

Since you were here I had another ten days in the hospital, but I am recovering very well and hope to be a lot more active than I am now.

There is a chance that Jeff Flenniken and I will be able to pay a visit to the National University of Denmark in Lund. This would take place sometime in October should it materialize. While there it would be most exciting to make a brief stop in Paris.

I wasn't able to go to the symposium in central California; however, Gene Titmus was able to attend and he has, I understand, delivered the biface made by Jacques Pelegrin to Eritt Callahan. Everyone was so excited about the quality of his work. Upon Jeff's return he immediately called me and mentioned that if Jacques continues, he will be able to make very thin bifaces. This is, of course, as humor as everyone was greatly impressed by his superb skills. Encourage him to continue this excellent work as it is contributing so much knowledge to the profession of archaeology.

I hope this letter is waiting for you after a safe return trip from Brazil.

From a special friend in Idaho,

P.S. I am going to keep the champagne for a party upon your return to Idaho. Again thanks.

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