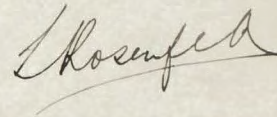


Lüttich, den 24. April 1933.

Lieber Herr Szilard!

Das Resultat meines Gesprächs mit dem Rektor Duesberg war sehr günstig. Er hat mir versprochen, sich im Laufe dieser Woche mit der Sache zu beschäftigen, und insbesondere mit Finanzleuten in Verbindung zu treten. Von letzteren käme vor allem in Frage nicht so sehr Francqui, sondern vielmehr Heinemann, der das grosse Konzern "Sofina" leitet. Es wäre auch ratsam, dass Sie mit den Rektoren der vier belgischen Universitäten (Gent, Brüssel, Löwen, Lüttich) die Sache offiziell besprechen; ich konnte bei meiner Rückreise in Brüssel niemanden treffen (es war ja Sonntag). Praktisch könnten Sie sich so einrichten, dass Sie nach Brüssel kommen, und zwar nach der Fondation Universitaire, wo Sie jede Auskunft und Hilfe zur Anknüpfung der nötigen Verbindungen finden werden. Von Brüssel sind die übrigen drei Universitäten sehr leicht zu erreichen; ~~Gent ist sogar auf der Strecke zwischen Ostende und Brüssel.~~ Ich werde Ihnen natürlich alles mitteilen, was ich im Laufe der Woche noch erfahren kann.

Mit vielen Grüßen,  
Ihr ergebener



P.S. In der Fondation Universitaire werden Sie auch wahrscheinlich ein Zimmer bekommen können.



IMPERIAL HOTEL,  
Russel Square,  
London, W.C.1.

8th May 1933.

Dr. Rosenfeld.

Dear Doctor Rosenfeld,

I thank you very much for your kind help. I telephoned to Mr. Duesberg and I shall meet him on Saturday morning, the 13th of May, at 9 o'clock at the Fondation Universitaire in Brussels. I shall arrive at Brussels Friday night and stay at the Fondation Universitaire. I could stay in Belgium Saturday, Sunday and Monday, and I wonder whether it would be possible for you to fix appointments for me with all those whom you think I ought to meet. Can you come also to Brussels on Saturday or shall I come to Liege on Sunday?

I am enclosing a letter which I wrote to Delbrueck and which will give you some information about what is going on. Things go very well in England.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,



Liege, May 2nd, 1933.

Dear Dr; Szilard,

Many thanks for your letter. You could telephone to Mr; Duesberg (number: Liege 24454) on Thursday 4th or Saturday 6th in the evening (about 8p.m.). You could also meet him in Brussels at the Fondation Universitaire on Friday 12th or Saturday 13th in the morning. Mr. Willems, the Director of the Fondation Universitaire, is at your disposal; it will be possible for you to stay for some days at the Fondation. It would be of interest for you to see Jacques Errera and Philipson, who have connexions both with University and with bank circles. I may add that much is already being done as well in Brussels as in Paris in the way of raising funds and providing for working possibilities. In Brussels the cooperation of Francqui and of Heinemann has been secured. In Paris help is being organised by Langevin, Perrin, Urbain, etc. for the scientific part, and by Blumenfeld and Weizmann for the financial part. Prof. Victor Henri of Liege is in connexion with all these people and could give you all information you want and help you in your coordinating efforts; you could of course see him in Liege.

Perhaps you could see Weizmann, who is in London just now. He is coming back from Jerusalem, where many refugees have already arrived. He hopes to be able to enlarge the Hebraic University, and suggests also that many opportunities are offered by the other oriental Universities (Egypt, Syria, Irak, India, Persia). I think you could find easily his London address.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*L. Rosenfeld*



Liege, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1933.

Dear Dr. Szilard,

Many thanks for your letter and the information contained in it. Here is a summary of what has been done in Belgium:

1.- General. The Fonds Francqui grants each Belgian University a sum of 25.000 Fr per year for two years. This means the possibility of providing a position for one scientist in each University.

2.- Brussels. Funds are being raised by subscription. It is hoped with help of these funds and of the Fonds Francqui contribution to provide for two "big" positions (salary 50.000 Fr per year) for two years.

3.- Liege. It has been proposed officially by the Rector that each lecturer of the University gives  $\frac{1}{2}\%$  of his salary to a special Fonds, which would provide for one position more in Liege (also for two years). Until now there have been many adhesions to this proposal, as well as some resistance from chauvinistic circles.

On account of the regrettable influence of these circles ( you will understand that in that respect a small, but arrogant minority is sufficient to spoil the whole thing!) it is advisable that Liege University (in Brussels this difficulty does not arise) takes up only non german elements (russians with Nansen passport, austrians, &c.).

Until now it is certain that Goldfinger (an assistant of Haber's) and Lasareff (Privatdozent in Berlin) will be secured a position in Liege. The case of Rosen (Pringsheim's assistant) is also being examined.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

