

INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE

NEW DELHI

40 Lodi Estate, Lodi Estate  
Road No. 2, New Delhi-3

DATED September 30, 1959.

Dear Dr. Krishnan,

As you know, Prof. P.M.S. Blackett is expected to visit India shortly at the invitation of the Atomic Energy Commission. It would be a good idea if we could persuade him to accept an invitation to deliver a lecture, not so much for specialists, but for a selected audience from the general public, under the auspices of the India International Centre. Since we have no auditorium of our own, we could perhaps arrange the lecture at the N.P.L. or at the Delhi University.

We would have been glad to extend the invitation to Prof. Blackett direct, but we do not know what his programme in India would be and how much time he will have in Delhi. From what I know of him I am sure he would not turn down the invitation if he has the time. Since you know him personally and are probably in touch with him already, I suggest that you may kindly extend the necessary invitation to Dr. Blackett, explaining briefly the aims and objects of the Centre and the kind of audience we have in view for his lecture.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*C. D. Deshmukh*

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Director,  
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DATED December 9, 1959.

Dear Dr. Krishnan,

I should like to take your counsel on an urgent matter about the administration of the India International Centre. I shall therefore appreciate it if you kindly make it convenient to attend an informal meeting of the Board of Trustees at 6.00 P.M. on Thursday, the 17th December, at my residence (32 Aurangzeb Road). I do hope you will find it possible to come as the matter I have in mind is very important.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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DATED December 26, 1959

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Dear Dr. Krishnan,

You will kindly recall our discussion over the telephone some days ago regarding the appointment of a full-time salaried Director for the India International Centre with effect from January 1, 1960 when the term of the present honorary Director comes to an end. By now I have talked the matter over with all the other Trustees except Nawab Zainyar Jung Bahadur who, as you know, stays in Hyderabad and due to ill health is not available for any consultations. The discussions with you and others have led me to believe that it will take some time before we can finalize this matter. I should therefore like to place it before the Board at our next meeting, notice of which will be sent in a few days' time. However, the Trustees are generally agreed that, at this stage of the Centre's work, the Director must be one available at all times at the headquarters. Following this view, for the present, it would be advisable for us to appoint a local person to act as honorary Director in the place of Prof. N.K. Sidhanta who stays in Calcutta and is therefore not readily available when he is most needed. This will also relieve me of the day-to-day work pertaining to the Centre to which I have been attending, perforce, in the absence of the Director.

I therefore suggest that we may request Mr. P.N. Kirpal, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Education to act as honorary Director. As you know, Mr. Kirpal has been associated with the idea of the Centre from the very beginning and has always taken great interest in its affairs. He also headed our team which went to Tokyo to study the working of the International House of Japan. At present he is

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DATED December 31, 1959

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Dear Dr. Krishnan,

I should like to convene the second meeting of the Board of Trustees on Wednesday, the 10th February, 1960. The meeting would be held at 40 Lodi Estate, New Delhi.

The agenda for the meeting will be sent to you in due course. But I would like you to keep this date free because I propose to have a brief and simple ceremony for laying the foundation-stone of the Centre's building on that day. It is for this reason that I have not indicated the time of the meeting which would be intimated to you later. I trust you will be able to come.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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acting as honorary Associate Director. In view of all these factors, I feel that he would be a very suitable choice for holding the position of honorary Director.

I would be grateful to know whether you agree to my suggestion so that I may clear the matter with Dr. K.L. Shrimali, Union Minister for Education, under whom Mr. Kirpal is working. I would appreciate the favour of a reply by return of post.

With regards and best wishes for a happy New Year,

Yours sincerely,



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