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Dear Mr. Shane,

Thank you for your letter of April 16th, addressed to Henrietta Chamier, which has just come to my attention.

I do appreciate the problems that you have had and the difficulties that have arisen over this shipment. The fact is that, unfortunately, we were not aware that the prints had arrived at London Airport; we received no warning from the agents that they had been shipped, and no papers accompanied the crate. We sent the prints out specially at your and Patrick's request, so that he could have works on exhibition whilst he was there, and we now find that this gesture has created problems for both parties involved. Whereas I understand you concern about the charges incurred for storage at London Airport, I do feel that if anyone should take action against Freedman & Slater or Emery Airfreight, it should be Bennington College, since you were responsible for the return of the works to us.

At the time, we were concerned about the facts that the prints had not reached us, since they had apparently left you in November 1978, but, as I say, we had no idea that they were at London Airport. I should be extremely grateful if you would take up the matter with either Freedman & Slater or Emery Airfreight, in order that the charges should be paid by one of the parties involved, and the matter brought to a speedy conclusion.

Again, I am sorry that you have had so many difficulties, but I can now see no other means of overcoming them.

Alan Cristea

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