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Dear Walter,

I received the short note to be edited and because the text required numerous hand-written marks, I returned the whole by air-mail one week ago. I did not retain a copy of the edited text, but will do it again if the letter has not reached you.

As for your book, I have printed out your final version and have read it once. As I said when I read the prior draft, you have much to say that is unique. I urge you to continue. You have more to say than the book that I had in mind; your knowledge of physiology is greater than any of the the other pharmaco-EEG experts and perhaps a presentation of your views will enhance the science.

No one can anticipate the response of readers to a written report or book, but I encourage you to go ahead with the writing. If you wish to get an outside opinion, it would be helpful to propose a provisional Table of Contents and to answer the following queries in a letter form.

What is the probable size of the text? How many figures? How many tables? How many citations?

For whom is the book intended? What is the probable audience? Which membership lists would be appropriate to canvass?

Do you consider the book a review, textbook, or summary of individual research?

To whom should a publisher turn for independent opinions as to the merits of the book?

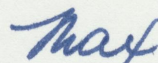
If the publisher accepts the proposal, in what time-frame can he anticipate a first draft?

Do you require an advance for figures and tables, typing or editing?

With these in hand, you should approach a number of publishers in letter form. In the U.S., Raven Press, Elsevier Press, Oxford University Press, Academic Press, and Wiley come to mind. I can find others in booklists. In Europe, the German and the Italian presses are very active.

My best regards to Titty and the girls, and my best wishes for a healthy and happy 1992.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Max".

Max Fink, M.D.
Professor of Psychiatry

P.S. I have received about 10 abstracts for the IPEG meeting so far. I will copy these during the first week of January and send them off by air-mail for your advice.