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Dear Chuck,

The field of EEG and drugs is a complex one and there are few students who have made contributions of merit. Some weeks ago at the EEG meeting I expressed my disappointment at the review of Dr. Itil's book as written by Dr. Goldman. At the time you indicated the difficulty in selecting a reader who had experience and who understood German.

The review which I am enclosing from the British Journal of Psychiatry is neither flattering nor disapproving. It is an unusually balanced statement of this book's merits and limitations.

It is one thing to criticize as the reviewer has done - it is another to find fault out of personal pique. I am writing to you because I am disappointed that the Editors did not use their accustomed critical faculties in allowing Goldman's biased review to be published. Perhaps, they might consider publishing Dr. Hoenig's review as well - in part to give their readers a better picture of this work and in part to compensate for the unusual difficulties that authors have to defend themselves from intemperate attacks in the press.

My best regards for the New Year.

Sincerely yours,

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