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May 19, 1977

Dear Henri:

I just returned from Europe a couple of days ago and found the copies of your letters of January 28 and April 11 to Walter Prude.

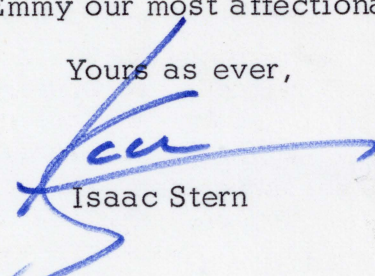
While I can understand your irritation in not having had a proper reply over such a long period of time, I must say in Mr. Prude's defense that it is not his fault as I have not given ICM any go-ahead for any engagements either in the Fall of 1979 or the calendar year of 1980. The main reason is that I have not decided in my own mind what I am going to do during that period. For some time now I have been toying with the idea of a total or partial sabbatical year. In addition, several major suggestions have come along for a massive series either in Europe and/or television and I am studying these propositions with care as I do not want to enter into anything as time consuming or important as these suggestions have been without careful consideration after a little rest.

I am coming to the end of almost 18 months of touring without any major break and only after some rest this summer will I make the decisions as to my activities in late 1979 and 1980. I need not tell you how much I value both your friendship and your musical collaboration and I will take this up with Mr. Prude when I see him for business discussions sometime in mid-June. I am dictating this while on the road because as a friend and colleague I did want to send you a reply as soon as I could.

Vera joins in sending you and Emmy our most affectionate greetings.

Yours as ever,

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