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Dear Professor Bernal

This is just to tell you the
heads at this early stage of my journey I have
heard of 3 serious X-ray diffraction studies on TMV
in progress in this country, & I should therefore
like to write up and publish something on what I
have done as soon as possible. Would you be
happy about my doing this & sending it in without
waiting for your return from China? It would be
just on the lines of what I said in Paris, &
probably the best thing would be a note to Nature
for a start — I could have that ready by the
time I get back to London. ~~Acta~~ I think
Acta Biochimica Biophysica would be the next place for
a longer account of it.

A. Rich at Pasadena has taken photographs
of the rod-shaped RNA-free TMV material prepared
at Berkeley following the work of Jeener, & obtained
something grossly resembling the normal TMV photograph.

My address during the next 2 weeks will
be c/o Dr Harker at Brooklyn.

Yours sincerely

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