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Dear Dr. Vanden Bout:

Your FAX of 12th arrived via University on 15th. The letter arrived on 21st. Thanks. I've not written before because I've nothing to report.

On 5th I examined Yellow Pages and picked out three companies who advertise international container shipment. To each I explained that I have about 50 small boxes. The total volume is about 6 to 7 cubic meters, and total weight 3 to 4 tonnes. I asked for information on transport to Green Bank, West Virginia, instructions, time of transit and price.

Ansott Tridgeways replied on 11th cost would be \$4060. Marine insurance would be additional 4% per \$100 declared value. Transit time is 12 to 16 weeks. Quote good for 28 days from 13/4/94. Money in advance.

Grace Brothers sent a man on 18th to inspect job. Nothing more has been heard from them.

Allied Pickfords did not reply to my inquiry.

Today I've sent out three more inquiries.

I think above price and transit time are more than excessive. Let me know if you are still interested. On my passage ticket going east please include a three day stopover at White Sands, New Mexico. Also a two day stopover at Wheaton, Illinois. This is O'Hare airport near Chicago. going west.

One man assistant will be satisfactory. I nominate Fred Crews because I know him.

Let us keep in touch.

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