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Raza + Janine, you dear people, hello.

N. Delhi 14.

7th April 64

note to tell you that I am back. This is just a brief  
the Customs in five minutes - in fact so fast, that old  
Bal, who had expected me to be held up for at least  
an hour & therefore came late, missed me altogether.  
I later on met him in his flat. Soon afterwards  
Gaitonde turned up, then Ram Kumar & then  
Husain. It was a great meeting & I was filled  
with the latest news & developments & I showed  
my own which surprised them all. Gai was  
most effusive in his praise & old man Bal thought  
it à la carte! Ram suggested that I was changing  
too fast & hinted that I was too open to influences  
whereas he was content to plod along!! That is old  
Ram, slow, steady, gilt edged & unspectacular! Ram  
is coming to Delhi on the 15th April and I hope to see  
him when he comes.

I haven't started to work yet. I have been so  
full of sleep that I just haven't been able to do a thing.  
Yesterday for the first time I began to arrange my  
studio. I have appropriated three rooms in this  
house and have begun to undo my supply of paints  
& stretchers etc. I propose to paint more in sumi -  
I have very large paintings in mind.

Renu is looking very well & I was thrilled to see  
her and the children at the airport. I was given a  
most lovely welcome - flowers, garlands & everything  
- most touching. Renu is delighted by the gift pinne  
sent for her and will be writing to her quite  
soon! She is terribly busy with her school. I have  
your tumble post in our living room over the mantle



It looks good. I recently got a letter from Air India asking me to send a painting for their calendar - they'll pay a thousand & may buy the painting also. I have asked Jalawasji if he is interested in yours.

This is brief, but I hope you'll understand. It was, as always, a great pleasure for me to see you both. I wish that we could have seen more of each other, but there is always a next time. My fond love to you both & thank you so very much for your warm & heartfelt hospitality & friendship. I value this above all else -

As ever,

Krishna

P.S. There was a letter for me at the Libonds which has been forwarded to me - a little late in the day but how else can there be elegance!