

14 Sept 56.

19 Kensington Park Gardens

London W. 11.  
Bayswater 7726.

My dear Raza,

I was happy to get your  
card & note. I have been  
meaning to write you & Akbar  
for weeks. I was also very  
happy to hear of your Prix  
de la critique. Actually I  
do not know how you  
thought Philippe was back -  
he was only for a few days  
on his way to Jerusalem to  
stay with his parents for  
his holiday. I am not  
taking a holiday just now  
as I <sup>am working on</sup> ~~have~~ a book I have  
got to finish by middle

2 of October, and will return  
after that. We will be no  
more in our flat after Oct:  
but Philippe has been allocated  
one near the Porte de Vanves -  
a most unattractive name to  
me & quite unknown. It is  
two small rooms in one of  
these horrible modern blocks.

Frankly I dread coming  
back as all the facilities for  
work here are so much  
easier & also living conditions  
are much better. But you  
will say it is not Paris  
& that's true.

The Chinese painter Tseng  
Yu is in Paris at the Armand  
House, Cité. I wonder if



3 you have met him.

You know that H. K. Panunier is coming as Ambassador from November to Paris. I have met him here quite often & he is going to do all he can for us in our plans. It was he who opened the George Kieft exhibition in New Delhi.

He will help to get a modern art exhibition & even hang pictures in the Embassy etc.

So we shall be able to get a good deal done. I am all for getting Krishna Rebamed to do all the work, I absolutely do not have the time. Only I wish she had just a little tact & was not so obvious!

My health has not been 'good'  
& I have really never felt  
so low as I do.

How are Solange & Akbar &  
the little one?

Of course I shall see your  
brother, handsome or not - but  
if so, the better! Though my  
days of handsome young men  
are past!

There are so many of my old  
friends here that it's like being  
at home almost.

Please give the 'little family'  
my love and with all  
the best to you in your  
exhibition yours

Tell your brother to phone as  
soon as he comes, I shall be going  
to the country for a week on the 22nd till 1st