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Dear Mr. Broda,

Thank you very much for your letter of 4th May. To begin with: I shall be very glad and proud if you will include me in the sponsors of the proposed meeting in autumn. I hope I shall be able to attend it.

I have just finished a letter to Mr. Ullrich, including an article in German on "Österreichische Wissenschaft" for the same issue of the Kulturelle Schriftenreihe in which you will write on Boltzmann. If you can get a proof of this article, you will see that my idea is: Austrians ought not to cackle too much about their contribution to Wissenschaft. Nobody can overlook it anyhow. By cackling they 'll only create the impression that Austrian Science needs advertizing - which it does not. Could you imagine a Dutchman doing the same for his country? (Which, pro rata, has certainly



produced about 5 or 10 times as much as the U.S.A.)

I mean to say, that we Austrians too must remember that we are a great Kultur nation in spite of the smallness of our country; and that, if we advertise ~~ourselves~~ ourselves, we must do it with great restraint and reserve and selfconsciousness. -

On re-reading the preceding lines, which I wrote yesterday evening, I find I have not well expressed what I meant, but you will understand me approximately and I do not want to waste time by tearing the letter up and writing another one.

Allow me to add a suggestion, viz. to include J.B.S. Haldane in the British scientists to be approached in the matter. Of those which you mentioned I know Blackett best, indeed I love him as a ~~dear~~ dear friend. He is sure to give us any support he can.

Very sincerely yours

E. Schrödinger.