

From: Rusi Taleyarkhan [mailto:rusi@purdue.edu]
Sent: 14 September 2004 00:14
To: Colin Murray-GW
Subject: Assume you are not coming

Dear Colin:

More than a week ago I had written to you an email responding to your questions and mentioning my inquiry re: consultation. I expected a courtesy response, and since I have not received word from you I am assuming that you will not be visiting me at my laboratory this week. If, for some reason there has been a lapse in communications let me know by tomorrow by email.

Regards,

Rusi Taleyarkhan

From: Rusi Taleyarkhan [mailto:rusi@ecn.purdue.edu]
Sent: 14 September 2004 20:24
To: Colin Murray-GW
Subject: Re: Visit to Purdue on 17-18, September.

Dear Colin:

Called after lectures but got your answering machine. Thx for the note (below) and your explanation of your position and what you are expecting (would be good to nail this down by tomorrow so we know what to plan for Friday/Sat.). On many occasions such as this (and others where I give lectures and discussions on my research) an honorarium check is customary - your offer of a few hundred pounds fits with this theme. If people wish to get into details of a technology with research/business development angles to it I charge about \$1,500 per day (if I accept the consultation). I will leave this consulting issue aside for the present purpose in the interest of projecting impartiality. Let me know via email that this arrangement will work for you and what your tentative itinerary is (I will be in meetings for a good part of the afternoon but should be available after about 6:00pm).

My best regards to Don Kennedy.

Regards,

Rusi

Hi Rusi,

Apologies for the brief lapse in communication - I've been travelling in the UK and US. We are still planning to come to Indiana on Friday - as you know, this has been a firm date for a long time. On the consultancy issue - the film is about your work on sonofusion and will bring it to a large audience, so its not really a consultancy position I'm asking you to fulfill. Instead, it's the normal process of publicising your work as a scientist through interview and demonstration - and this isn't something the BBC would normally pay for. I can offer you a small interview fee to compensate you for some of your time - but this would be very small compared to professor's rates - it's in the region of a couple of hundred pounds. I'm sure you understand that the BBC is a publicly-funded organisation and our impartiality is the key to its reputation. Large payments for interviews could be seen to jeopardise that position of impartiality. But I do have a splendid bottle of single malt. Please give me a call if you'd like to talk about this in more detail - my cell number is 917 709 5629. I'm in California - interviewing Don Kennedy on Wednesday - so am 2 hours behind Indiana.

Best wishes,

Colin

Subject: RE: Visit to Purdue on 17-18, September.
Date: Wed, 15 Sep 2004 23:00:04 +0100
From: "Colin Murray-GW" <colin.murray.01@bbc.co.uk>
To: "Rusi Taleyarkhan" <rusi@ecn.purdue.edu>

Hi Rusi,

Thanks for your e-mail. We'll be in town tomorrow evening and will come by the lab on Friday morning, around 10 - 10.30 as discussed. It usually takes us about 45 minutes to get organised, put lights up etc...

But while this process is going on, we can chat. What I'd like to achieve on Friday is

1. to film you with your PNG;
2. film some "set ups" - which means you doing some science for camera (this doesn't have to be real time science - but can be - it just has to look like your doing something)
3. interview you in your office about your work - the whole history from how you got interested in SL / fusion all the way through to the Phys Rev paper. I'm interested in some science detail but am also interested in the exciting story of the breakthrough, the reaction of the science world and so on.
4. Possibly a demo at the board about how bubbles act in sonofusion.
5. A demo of SL (if this is easy for you to achieve)

On Saturday, I'd like to spend a couple of hours filming with you and talking with you away from the lab. This will allow me to cover anything I missed on Friday and also talk to you more as a person than as a professor.

Hope that all makes sense - you've got my numbers if you want to chat before Friday.

Best wishes,

Colin
