

29 July 1937

Dear Prof. Einstein,

It was not possible for me, despite the best of intentions, to come out to see you in order to discuss the few open points in the will. I must therefore write.

- 1) In § 4 a provision is still missing about what should happen with your manuscripts in the event that you survive Margot.
- 2) I discussed § 6 with the lawyer again. Everything will be altered such that the trusts for your sister & Margot in the amount now planned can also be established in case Eduard does not survive you. If this should occur, however, one should

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modify the will at some point because everything is based on what he will have received "12 months prior to your death." In order to prevent any difficulties, it is now stipulated that what he will have received "12 months prior to your or prior to his death" should be the basis for §§ 5 and 6.

- 3) Regarding § 6, a \$40 minimum is being inserted at your request.
- 4) § 10 is being altered such that the payments to those in both families will be possible, irrespective of whether those concerned had been supported previously or not; i. e., lines 8–11 on p. 7 are struck. A corresponding change will be made in Margot's

[Verso of p. 1. Notes in margin in Albert Einstein's hand: to the left of paragraph 1, "agreed;" to the left of 3), "good;" to the left of 4), "good."]

will. We already discussed this earlier.

- 5) Regarding § 12, I contacted Leidesdorf in order to ask for his consent. I have not been able to reach him yet, however, although I tried many times. I shall try again next Monday.

If I don't manage to come out and see you this weekend, I would appreciate hearing from you by letter or telephone by Monday morning whether you agree with all this, which provision you wish to make for § 4 (see point 1 above), & whether you have other

[Note in Albert Einstein's handwriting in margin left of 5): "good."]

wishes. As soon as I have this information from you, I shall have final versions of the two wills written up, look them over, & then inform you that you & Margot can come over here for signing.

With kind regards,

Yours,

Otto Nathan.

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Dear Friend,

Cordial thanks. Everything is fine now and we would like to sign and come to do that before you leave. Call up our friend Bucky and arrange with him when Peter could pick us up. Any day is fine with me.

Until then, cordial regards,

Yours,

A. E.

[Verso of p. 2. At bottom of page: ALS, Albert Einstein to Otto Nathan.]