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Dear John,

You wrote me recently that you would like come back to France some time, and I was sorry then that our visitor's program at IHES for the next two or three years was about complete, as I would have liked to have you come to Bures for one year. Now it happens that one of the guests professors expected for the academic year 64/65 falls out, so that we can invite you for that academic year. I hope that it is not too late for you to change your plans accordingly, if you are still inclined to come here. You may also come only part of the year, if this suits you better, in any case we (Diaudonné, Thom, Mr Motchane, Mysself ...) will be very glad if you could come for some time. Malgrange will be our guest the same year, moreover we will have Hartshorne (a junior fellow from Harvard) part of the year. The salary is 3000 NF, unfortunately we can provide no travel money. There is a possibility for accomodation in one af the appartments of IHES in or near Bures sur Yvette.

Of course, you know also that, apart from professional interests, it will be a great pleasure both for Mireille and myself to welcome you in Bures as an old friend, and to try to make your stay here a pleasant one!

A bientôt, j'espère ! Your