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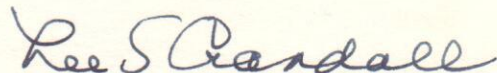
Dear Marvin:

Thanks for your notes on the Bongo. As far as I know, the five you mention are the only ones that have been seen outside Africa. It will surprise me if Dr. Goss gets an affirmative reply from Walter Van den bergh, as I doubt Antwerp has had it. I recall seeing the female in London late in May, 1938. She was then lame and the young one had already died. The animal Cleveland hopes to receive came from Kenya, as I understand it, so would be B. e. isaaci. I do not recall the origin of either the London or Rome specimens.

Yes, the two Mountain Gorillas died, apparently from a virus infection. All four animals re-shipped from Antwerp were lost.

The new Cheetah is a very fine animal, if not actually a giant. I believe him to represent the common race, but cannot be certain that this is so.

Sincerely yours,



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General Curator Emeritus

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