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20th November 1972

BOOKER PRIZE 1972

I enclose a cheque for £4,593.75 payable to the Booker 1969 Charitable Trust. This is the annual amount of £7,500 less tax payable to the Trust under a Deed of Covenant in connection with the Booker Prize.

I will require a cheque for £5,000 payable by the Trust on Thursday for the 1972 Prize winner. In order to maintain secrecy, I would like, if possible, you to draw a blank cheque for £5,000. However, you may not be happy with this suggestion so I would like you to arrange for a cheque to be completed all bar the name of the winner and I will let you know the name to be filled in late on Thursday afternoon prior to the presentation in the evening.

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