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Rayner Unwin, Esq.

Dear Rayner,

I enclose the Press Release and biographical details of V.S. Naipaul.

Peter Smith was going to contact you about the speeches, which I sincerely hope he has now done, but below is the potted information on Professor Frank Kermode.

Professor Frank Kermode is the Lord Northcliffe Professor of Modern English Literature at University College, London. Aged 48, he was educated at Douglas High School (Isle of Man) and Liverpool University. He edited the Arden edition of The Tempest in 1954, and his books include The Romantic Image, John Donne, The Living Milton, Wallace Stevens, Puzzles and Epiphanies, The Sense of an Ending and Continuities.

Best wishes and good luck tomorrow. I look forward to seeing you.

Yours,