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TO URGENT MR. SAUL BELLOW, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

1126 EAST 59TH STREET 2 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, U. S. A.

BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE ELIGIBILITY CHALLENGE ON NAIPAUL  
BOOK I HAVE SENT THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO U.K. JUDGES  
TODAY QUOTE IN RELATION TO THE RULES OF THE 1971  
BOOKER PRIZE FOR FICTION (A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED)

AND IN PARTICULAR TO: RULE 1 (a) THE PRIZE IS £5,000 AND  
IT WILL BE AWARDED IN NOVEMBER 1971 TO THE AUTHOR OF  
THE BEST FULL LENGTH NOVEL IN THE OPINION OF THE JUDGES  
THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE PRIZE STOP AND TO RULE 2 (a)  
ALL FULL LENGTH NOVELS WRITTEN IN ENGLISH ETC. ETC.

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TO

~~DO YOU CONSIDER THE BOOK ENTITLED IN A FREE STATE BY~~  
~~V. S. NAIPAUL TO BE A FULL LENGTH NOVEL AND THEREFORE~~  
~~ELIGIBLE FOR THE 1971 BOOKER PRIZE STOP IF YOU DO WILL~~  
~~YOU ANSWER YES PLUS YOUR SIGNATURE STOP IF YOU DO NOT~~  
~~WILL YOU ANSWER NO PLUS YOUR SIGNATURE STOP WILL YOU~~  
~~IN EITHER CASE PLEASE RETURN THIS PAPER SIGNED TO ME STOP~~  
~~LETTER WILL FOLLOW BUT TO AVOID DELAY IN SHORT LIST~~  
~~ANNOUNCEMENT WILL YOU PLEASE CABLE ME WHETHER YOUR~~  
~~ANSWER WILL BE YES OR NO. STOP JOHN GROSS~~

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J. J. Gross,

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_