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In connection with my telephone call of 6 February, I am writing concerning [redacted] who was, I understand, with your firm for some years.

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I have been discussing with [redacted] the possibility that he transfer from the International Bank to this office as my immediate deputy. No commitment has been made as yet, partly because [redacted] wishes time to think over such a move and partly because I find it difficult under our Civil Service Regulations to meet the income tax arrangements and other benefits conferred by the International Bank. I have hopes, however, that [redacted] will be persuaded to consider this position seriously.

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[redacted] was strongly recommended to me by former classmates and friends, and I understand the Bank thinks very highly of him. Since he was with you for some time, I would very much appreciate any comments you may feel free to give me on his professional ability. I have little doubt as to his moral character and general reputation, so I do not ask for comment there unless you wish to give it. I would be particularly interested in comments as to the breadth of his experience with your firm.

This letter, of course, and any answer you may make will be kept for my personal information.

Very truly yours,

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