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Dear Klaus,

unfortunately, for obvious reasons, I cannot attend this specific meeting next monday. Let me nevertheless, through these lines, once again wish you all the best, hoping that you will fully recover very soon. I wish you, your wife, and the entire family sufficient energy to overcome these days. Moreover, I really hope that the time after your retirement will be a very active and productive period, which you can fully devote to things of your current main interests.

I also take this opportunity to thank you again for your continuous support during my stay in Bochum, various discussions about physics and other topics, your enthusiasm, and the pleasant (almost unique) working atmosphere you created in the institute. An important part of your support was through diploma and PhD students. You had the confidence that I would supervise them in a reasonable way. I profited from this. As a 'proof' – just one random example – I append a talk on the general structure of the polarized Drell-Yan cross section I gave last year at the SPIN2008 symposium in Charlottesville. As you can see from the names this talk was about a 'Bochum project'.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Bochum in the summer.

My best wishes,

Andreas