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My dear Mario,

I had a second letter from you, identical (or almost so) with a letter to which I replied some weeks ago: it seems you did not get my reply. to let me tell you that I love you and your wife, and that differences about theories (which are world 3 objects) do not affect my personal relations (which are world 2 objects): it is one of the lessons ~~formed~~ by distinguishing these two.

I was of course disappointed that your criticism did not take any of my arguments seriously. It was no world 3 criticism: it just did not argue. It seems that you think, like some other people, that I am the subject of a religious conversion (in writing about world 3). This is just nonsense. World 3 is what Frege called „Das dritte Reich"; what Bolzano called „Die Sätze an sich". Anyway, you don't like it, which is sad, but I never thought to make it a condition of my friendship that, to be my friend, somebody has to read my books. (I do not believe that you have read, with care, what I have written on the subject. Whatever your beliefs are (I do not believe in belief), you would have to admit that my arguments are very interesting. After so many years I think I can say so.

All the best and love

Karl.

P.S. I was told by at least four people that you attended in Düsseldorf Eccles personally. Which saddened me: I do not like a personal

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