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Dear Professor Bunge:

I very much like your suggestion of attribution or predication for what it gets rid of leaves out--those mental acts entailed by both inference and hypothesis for which there is as yet little or no evidence in the ape (I say "little" because some find inference in conservation, and Sarah does conserve; but I leave this for another occasion). What alone troubles me is the peculiar nature of the property involved in the attribution. Though the logical representation of attribution for observable and nonobservable properties will not differ, I cannot believe the psychological process is the same. It may be no surprise that apes attribute redness to apples, but somewhat more of a surprise that they attribute intentions, knowledge, and the like to actors. Here too, of course, I cannot yet specify exactly what the ape attributes--and especially not with regard to the distinction between observable/nonobservable--so it is a bit premature to pose the problem. Although I'm sure you won't object to my posing it hypothetically. Do you find no problem in the fact that the attribution may be for properties that are not observable?

Cordially,
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Dear Professor Bruegel:

I very much like your suggestion of affiliation for myself if
please-one--please mention some enlisting a post in intelligence and lobbying for myself
here is as yet little or no evidence in the case (I am "little" because some time
intelligence in conservation, and I have this for myself
before I can do anything more than to the best of my knowledge
occurred). What else impresses me is the possibility of a liaison
in the affiliation. Through the logical representation of affiliation for operations
despite my nonoperable mobility will not differ, I cannot believe the backlog
biggest process is the same. It may be no subtler that such an affiliation requires to
apply, but somewhat more of a surprise that they suppose influence, knowledge,
and the like to scores. Here too, of course, I cannot yet associate myself
with the affiliation--and especially not with letter to the administration
earlier--nonoperable--so it is a bit premature to pose the problem. At present I'm
sure how now, if object to my position if lobbying. Do you think no problem in
the fact that the affiliation may be for operations that are not operable?

Very sincerely yours
David Bruegel

As per latest communication
B.O.B. #070, Israel--please return my letter end of December