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Dear Greg

Time has passed so quickly since I arrived home from my business trip to Sri Lanka, Singapore and Indonesia. I feel guilty that it has taken so long for me to reply to your letter, which I must say was a lovely surprise when it arrived.

I really enjoyed my trip to the Far East, and it all went very well. But one of the highlights was meeting and listening to you play, after reading the review of your CD in the Jazz Journal. I can hardly believe that it was as long ago as Saturday 22 February. I play and enjoy your CD quite often, and relatives and friends that have heard it usually like it even though they may not have a jazz "ear". I must say that I also enjoy the saxophonist on track one. I always feel that it adds to the listening pleasure when another front line instrument is occasionally added on to some tracks.

I enclose a copy of my brief letter to Jennie Chua at the Raffles Hotel, plus other bits and pieces of jazz information from UK. I recently went to see the Cedar Walton Trio with special guest Jackie McLean at the Cheltenham Jazz Festival. It was quite enjoyable with every one in good form. They played a wonderful "Cedar's Blues", which for me was the highlight of the programme. On Friday 9 May, my wife Jane and I are going to see the great American pianist Jessica Williams in Birmingham. She is touring the UK throughout May. Then through the summer we will catch something at the Bath Jazz Festival, the Birmingham Jazz Festival and the Brecon Jazz Festival (Brecon is in Wales, but quite handy for us). Plenty to look forward to.

Must close now. All the best, and remember, if you visit UK you have an open invitation to visit and stay with Jane and myself.

My Very Best Regards

Brian

I hope the photographs turned out OK.