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SEMINAR ON EAST-WEST RELATIONS

Mr Bronfman has got to hear of this seminar and is trying to get himself invited, on the grounds that he will just have been in the Soviet Union. Otherwise, he offers to report to you separately.

I recommend against inviting him to the seminar. He is not an expert on the Soviet Union. Although the Jewish emigration issue is important, the seminar is intended to range more widely. And thirdly, he has shown himself to be remarkably indiscreet.

Agree that I should explain that the seminar is already fully subscribed, and offer a meeting with me (or with an FCO Minister) to debrief on his visit to Moscow? Or do you feel committed to see him again yourself? (I don't think you are.)

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