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Dear Prof. Hoffmann.

I hope you don't mind me writing to you out of the blue. I am an historian of the early Middle Ages (a former PhD. student of Dr. Rosamond McKitterick at Cambridge), and I am currently working on the liturgy of early Middle Ages.

In the National Library in Jerusalem I have found a fly-leaf (whose photocopy I enclose), which seems to be taken from a late Carolingian Lectionary. The script looks to me like a German Caroline minuscule saec. x, but I cannot say more than that. A glance at your book Buchkunst und Könningtum im ottonischen und frühsalischen Reich suggested that it is close to the Tegernsee material, but I couldn't find a parallel for the distinctive s. which seems almost to break at the knob on the shaft. There is no clue on either the provenance or the place of production (it is just one folio that has been used as a bookcover).

Being a great admirer of you work, and knowing that you are much more familiar with the martial than I am, I write to ask whether you have any suggestions that might give me a clue on the place and the date of its production.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Yours Sincerely

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