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Dear Drs. Pathan and Yasmeen:

I am afraid that the revised version of your joint paper "New Generating Functions for a Triple Hypergeometric Series" should be carefully retyped (and thoroughly proof-read) along the lines indicated in your typescript. I will then be happy to accept it for publication in Simon Stevin. Among other things, please put your references in an alphabetical order.

This unusual delay in handling your paper is regretted; it is due mainly to my being away to India and Japan for an extended period. Indeed there still are numerous other papers piled up on my desk.

I do hope that the first author had a fruitful stay at Trieste from where he wrote to me on 20 November 1985. Under a separate cover I am mailing reprints of some of my most recent papers, as he requested.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Dr. Pathan,

Your paper #677/S19 "On partly bilateral and partly unilateral generating functions" with Yasmeen has been seen by the same referee who looked at the first version. This referee has again done a very thorough job of reviewing the revised version, and I enclose his comments. I should like you to make the required minor amendments in a second revision, and if you do, I shall accept this paper for publication.

I must however advise you that my acceptance of this paper is in part due to its history. You sent the paper to Dr. B. Davies in January, when I had only just taken over as Editor. My policy as Editor is to emphasize applications of mathematics, and I expect to allow very few pure mathematical-methods papers like this in the future. Please note this policy and advise your colleagues that they should seek an alternative medium for publication of such papers.

However, the effort put into this paper by Dr. Davies and his referee has been very substantial, and this is why I am prepared to accept it in spite of its lack of application interest. I understand that you have made a small effort (p.3) in your revision, but my concern is more with the overall character of the work that appears in this journal.

Yours sincerely

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