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The recent death of Max is a big loss for the mathematical community and more particularly for the categoricians. Indeed, his work in category theory has been essential for the development of this theory, and he has created a main categorical research centre in Sydney, in which he has invited many people and stimulated important works.

Personally I feel very sad for he has been a close friend of Charles and myself since this day when we went to the Orly airport for his arrival in Paris, two days before the International Conference on Categories we organized in Amiens in July 1973. We were immediately won by his warmth and dynamism, and I'll always think of him as he was at this time, as shown in the above photograph (taken during this meeting).

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