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999-19-68 **Nigel Higson\*** (higson@psu.edu), Department of Mathematics, Penn State University, University Park, PA 16802. Deformations and the Baum-Connes assembly map for complex semisimple Lie groups. Preliminary report.

It is well known how to describe the Baum-Connes assembly map using deformations of operator algebras (or in other words asymptotic morphisms). In this lecture I will indicate how a detailed computation of the deformation makes precise a correspondence between the representations of a semisimple group and its Cartan motion group that was originally proposed by Mackey. (Received August 06, 2004)