

October 18th 1928

Mr. Jarvis,
American Consulate,
Calcutta, India.

Dear Mr. Jarvis,

In the absence of Mr. Fraser, we are writing to inform you that Mrs. Lichtmann and I have been called back to America and shall leave here probably the first of November. We will be in Calcutta probably on the second or third and would like to arrange there to have Powers of Attorney executed from us both as well as from our institutions to Professor Roerich to enable him to purchase land in our name in India as well as to execute any business for us here. We shall value knowing from you what we shall have to bring with us in order to do this and whether any special facts or material is needed. As we must probably leave Calcutta on the same evening, we should also like to know if these could be executed in one day.

We should also like to know what type of letter we must prepare in order that Professor Roerich and Mr. George Roerich may return on a visit to America at any time needed for our American institutions. I recall that such a visa was arranged for Professor Roerich by Mr. Jenkins and would appreciate your advice in this regard.

We are looking forward to see you again on our arrival in Calcutta.

Appreciating your courtesy and with cordial greetings,
believe me,

Sincerely yours,

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Hillside, Darjeeling.

Mr. Robert Frazer,
U.S. Consul-General,
American Consulate
Calcutta, India.

Dear Mr. Frazer,

As we are uncertain what date you had planned to return to Calcutta, I have written to Mr. Jarvis informing him that we are called back to America--that is, Mrs. Lichtmann and myself. We therefore wish to leave with Professor Roerich, Powers of Attorney from us both as well as from our American institutions to purchase land for us here as well as execute any business for us in India.

We shall be in Calcutta on November second or third and shall look forward with great pleasure to seeing Mrs. Frazer and yourself then. Professor Roerich shall be leaving for Simla the beginning of December and shall then also see you personally.

Should you have any suggestions regarding our procedure in the matter of the Powers of Attorney and also for the arrangement of visas for Professor Roerich and Mr. George Roerich for visits to America later on, we would value deeply having them.

Anticipating the pleasure of seeing you and with the cordial greetings of Professor Roerich and us all, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,