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DRAFT OF A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT L. HORCH TO PRESIDENT HOOVER.

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Dear Mr. President,

On June (give date exact) 1929 you have honored us in receiving the delegation from the Roerich Museum represented by the Honorary President Nicholas Roerich, President of the Roerich Museum Louis L. Horch and Director of the Himalayan Research Institute Dr. Georges Roerich. The delegation has laid before you the results of success of the Roerich Expedition to Central Asia. At the same time you have consented to accept from Prof. Roerich his painting "Himalayas" which adorns now the walls of the White House. As a result of this delegation all exhibits of the Roerich Museum were presented as a gift to the nation by the Board of Trustees.

At the present time the Board of Trustees is happy to inform you, the high representative of Culture and flourishing of the U.S.A., of the success and growth of our cultural Institutions. One of our latest tasks is the expansion of the activities of the Himalayan Research Institute and the building of a biochemical laboratory with a department for Cancer Research, in the Himalayas, at the Headquarters of the Institute donated to the Roerich Museum New-York by Mme and Prof. Nicholas Roerich.

We are also happy to communicate to you that we take all measures for the strengthening of peaceful cultural relationship with 12 (?) Republics in South America. In Paris we have inaugurated a European Center of Roerich Museum and in Bruges under the protectorate of Marquis Adaci a special Conference assembles on September 12th for the furtherance of the widely acclaimed Roerich Peace Pact with Banner of Peace for the protection of all cultural treasures of humanity. At the present time we are happy to present to you the book "Trails to Inmost Asia" by Dr. Georges Roerich, published by the Yale University Press.

Likewise we present to you the first number of the Journal of the Himalayan Research Institute and ~~issued by~~ the Roerich Museum Bulletin. From this literature you will note the development of the cultural activities of the Museum and the book of Dr. G. Roerich gives the consecutive description of the successful Central Asiatic Expedition headed by Prof. Roerich under the American Flag.

(signed President Horch).