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January 5th, 1931 .

Mr. Louis L. HORCH, President, Roerich Museum,

Dear Mr. Horch,

As I cabled you on the 3rd of January, there is no cause for anxiety concerning the future fate of the Roerich Pact. Of course, one has always to count with moves of adversaries and also with bureaucratic jealousies and misunderstandings. Thus it is certainly a misunderstanding to say that the Pact is outside the scope of competence of the League. The most that can be advanced is that the Pact may be shifted from one Department of the League to another. Already in my letter of November 17th, No 2.416, I pointed out, in answer to your inquiry, that "the procedure will be rather lengthy as is usual in the League of Nations". In the main, the procedure will probably be as outlined in my said letter.

Our official source of information has been the International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation of the League of Nations. By the way, the Director of the Institute (M. Luchaire) has been changed January Ist. We will have to ascertain the attitude towards

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the Pact of the new Director (M. Bonnet).

There is no doubt whatever that the "Bureau de l'Office International des Musées de l'Institut de Cooperation Intellectuelle de la Société des Nations" has unanimously adopted a resolution following the report of the Belgien Minister of State Jules Destrée, déclaring:

"The Committee has taken cognizance of a project of International Convention for the Protection, in time of war, od Museums, collections and monuments of Art. It (the Committee) has emitted the wish that a convention of this nature should be effected. In order to enhance this wish with more authority, the Committee commissions the Secretary of the International Museum's Office to request the Members of the Vonsultative Committee of Experts to add their signatures to those of the Members of this Committee ".

We cannot be aware of differences of opinion which might have arisen later on in the depths of the various Committees: for the good reason that the proceedings of these Committees are secrete a and not liable to publication. Moreover it is naturally not in the interest of our Institutions to underline the opposition which might arise against the Pact on the part of insufficiently enlightened elements.

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Nevertheless, when I was in Geneva, I succeeded in obtaining communication (quite confidentially and exceptionally) of some of the minutes, from which I ascertained, for instance, that the Spanish representative Senor de Madariaga and the Secretary of the Committee (M. Oprescu, & Rumanian) had raised objections. Some of these objections were based on alleged difficulties as regards the observance of the clauses of the Pact, from the technical military point of view. It is to be noted that the above-mentioned perconslities had themselves declared that they were devoid of any competence in military matters. At the same time, we can quote in defence of the Pact, opinions emanating from high military authorities thus Marshal Lyautey, Marshal of France, former Minister of War, wrote me on the 4th of July 1930, that he most willingly gives his support" to out project. General Potocky, on the 15th of August. of the same year, wrote me a letter in which he answered in advance, from the purely technical stand-point, to possible objections or doubts.

It is also particularilu instructive to state that, notwithstanding Senor de Maderiaga's opposition, it is precisely in Spain that we have obtained some most valuable supports, for instance from Senor don Rafael Altamita, judge in the Permanent Court of International Justice, and from the Roy al Academy of Moral and Political Sciences (letter of July 3rd 1930) which resolved to petition the Government of King Alfonso XIII, to sponsor our project in view of its speedy adoption by all the Powers.

Now, I think that we have reached a stage when an Institution, so powerful it may be, cannot achieve further success in a great international movement without. The active of a State who is a Member of the League of Nations. Therefore, I propose to request some European Government to take up the matter in full agreement with us,

At the present moment, two Governments appear to me as most fitted for this role. In the first place, I think of the Belgian Government, because it was a Belgian representative who first supported the Pact and because also of the friendly attitude of the Belgian public opinion, as manifested in recent newspaper articles. The other Nation I think of is Thekoslovakian Republic. President Massaryk is a great admiror of Professor Roerich and is always ready to suppor cultural endeavours.

As regards Belgium, it would of course be advisable for me to go for a couple of days to Brussels to see there M. Destrée, Burger-

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master Max, M. Auguste Vierset, and out other wellwishers in that capital.

If we continue to show a spirit of perseverence and fortitude answering by new powerful moves to every attempt of our open or hidden adversaries, we shall undoubtedly reach our goal.

In the meanwhile, as foreseen by Professor Roerich himself, the very length of the procedure with the Fact, which at some tome may appear tedious, gives us an unique opportunity to prove in every country the work and importance of our Institutions.

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Ever yours faithfully,

Iniqued In Jeorge J. Children.

P.S. - M. Dumas, the owner of the pastel by Manet, a photograph of which was handed over to you by General Potocki, asks Frs. 300.000 i.e. \$ 12.000 for the said picture. It is my impression, however, that he would not be averse to selling the pastel for a price slightly lower than the one stated above.

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Mr. Louis L. HORCH, President, Roerich Huseum, New-York.

Dear Mr. Horch,

In order to ascertain the exact position of the Roerich Pact question in the League of Nations, I have consulted the official documents and minutes of proceedings which are preserved at the International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation and which are not accessible to the ordinary public.

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As you will notice from the documents enclosed herewith, the Pact has been approved unanisously by the Governing Body of the International Euseums' Office of the League of Nations.

Moreover, in view of giving a greater weight to that resolution the Members of the Advisory Committee of Experts have been requested to add their signatures to those of the Members of the Governing Body.

II. Sub-Committee on Arts and has Letters of the League of Latinus.

The unanimous/resolution of the International Museums' Office has been reported to the Sub-Committee on Letters and Arts of the International Committee on Intellectual Cooperation (Seventh

Session, Geneva, July 1930). There a lively discussion took place. The Chairman (M. Jules Destrée) defended our project which, as a matter of fact, was attacked only by one Member (M. de Maderiaga) It appears from the minutes that M. de Maderiaga did not even formally vote against the project : he only requested that his "sceptical" opinion as to the efficacy of the Pact should be recorded in the minutes. Therefore, his intervention was not indeed a formal opposition, but only the expression of a " reserved attitude ". He really hinted that the Pact should be enlarged so as to cover the protection of Art in peace-bine against profitteers and vandals.

Morever, the report on the Seventh Session of the Sub-Committee of the Laters and arts (with the favorable opinion of the Chairman and the majority and with the reserves formulated by M. de Maderiaga, sole representative of the divergent views) was presented to the Twelfth plenary Session of the International Committee on Intellectual Comperation (Meeting of July 29th, 1930, Geneva).

The reports on the work of the International Museums' Office and of the Sub-Committee were recorded in the minutes of the Plenary Session, which formally took cognizance of them; the reports did

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not give rise to any observations or reserves.

No objection was voiced by the Flenary Session as regards the resolutions passed by the subordinate Bodies.

IV. Council Pinally, the report of the Plenary Session containing in its of the Lagar annexes the full text of the reports of the above-sentioned Bodies, for Valious, has been distributed to the Council of the League of Nations and to all the Members of the League.

V. Further Steps. The further steps will probably be as outlined in my letters of November 17th 1930 (nN9 2.416) and January 6th, 1931 (Nº2.653)

The impression of the officials is in favor of our project.

It may be that in the course of further discussions, the stipulations of the Pact will be extended in some respects and restricted in some others. Nor instance, the scope of the Pact may be enlarged in such a way as to afford protection for artistic monuments not only in time of war, but also in time of peace. To this, Professor Rosrich himself is not averse, as the Master told me when I reported on the situation upon my return from Geneva.

On the other hand, I noticed in Geneva (and this was confirmed to me later on in Paris) that most of the delegates think that it would be presature to include the protection of scientific establish-

ments in the sphere of operation of the Pact. The reason given - good or bad - is that, in the actual state of things, every scientific institution (for instance chesical laboratories) can easily be utilised for military purposes.

On the 27th of January, N. Jules Bestrée, the Belgian Minister of State, who is such a staunch supporter of our project, will be in Paris. I propose to see him and to outline new measures to hasten the progress of the Fact through the various organs of the League of Nations.

I may mention in conclusion that the International Museums' O Office has received numerous letters expressing favorable opinions on the Pact and endorsing the support given to the Pact by the official Bodies to which it was submitted.

I will send you a special report concerning the work of the Conference of Experts in Rose and the resolutions passed by that Eody in conferrity with Professor Region's propositions contained in the Master's letter of August 25th 1930and touching the problem of transportation of works of Art.

Believe se, dear Er. Horch,

Faithfully yours.

/rigned/ Dr. garge of Chelaver

Bruges, Sept. 13th 1931 Midnight

Dear Mr. Horch,

I wish to record briefly the events of this historical day. At 11 a.m. all the Delegates attended the Solemn Mass at the Basilica of the Holy Blood. The Banner of Peace was plessed by the Archpriest. A photograph was taken at the issue of the ceremony. At 3 p.m. the inauguration took place at the Governor's Palace, in great pomp. All the authorities were present. The ancient gothic hall was filled with people. Mr. Tulpinck was first to speak. He read the messages received from His Majesty King Albert of Behgium and from Cardinal Pacelli in the name of His Holiness the Pope. Then I made a speech, expressing our admiration for the King and Queen and thanking the Belgium Covernment, the Province of West Flanders and the City of Bruges for their cooperation. I then showed how Professor de Roerich conceived the Pact and how the great idea of our Leader will help to preserve Art and Science not only in times of war, but also in time of peace. After that introduction, Madame de Vaux Phalipau read Professor de Roerich's Address to the Conference which was received with renewed cheers. Baron de Taube made a speech which greatly impressed the audience, showing how our Leader's initiative will contribute to the renovation of International Law. Abbot van Eeckhont, (?) in a speech in Flemish, expressed the adhesion of the Royal Flemish Academy. Councillor Dr. Lobligeois in a beautiful speech voiced the complete approval and support of the City of Paris. M. Auguste Vierset (?) brought the tribute of the City of Brussels. Prof. Moschetti spoke in the name of the Italian Cities. Messages were read from several Ambassadors and Ministers. The Belgium Linister of Arts and Sciences has granted his patronage to the Conference. The Greek Minister Plenipotentiary was present. as well as the Representative of Cardinal Roye, Private of the Belgium church. A telegram was sent to King Albert thanking His Majesty for his message. Then the Conference voted the sending of a cable to Professor de Roerich. We then went out on the square in front of the Palace. All the local Societies marched by with their Banners.

When our Banner was brought up the stairs of the Palace, the Burgomaster van Hostenverghe, Senator of the Kingdom, decorated it with
a cravat bearing the City's coat of arms. Photographs were taken
both inside the Palace and outside. We then marched amidst a
double file of Banners and cheering people to the the town hall.
There the Burgomaster handed us over a medal struck by the City in
honor of Professor de Roerich. He also made a very nice speech.
Again photographs were taken and films also. Later I prepared the
"Communiques" for the Press. In the evening a reception was held
by the Governor Baron Jaenssens de Bystowe. The City is decorated
with American and French flags. All the Members of the Conference,
the population and the numerous tourists who attended the ceremonies
were deeply impressed by the solemnity of the proceedings and the

world scope of the event. Miss Reid (of the New York Times) was in attendance. We sent also a "Communique" to M. Traus, of the Associated Press of America. The outstanding facts are

- The message from Cardinal Secretary of State Pacelly in the name of His Holiness the Pope. The message from His Majesty the King of the Belgians
- The message from the Belgian Minister of Arts and Sciences
- The complete adhesion of the Cities of Paris and Brussels
- The presentation of the medal to Professor de Roerich
- The messages from the foreign Ambassadors and Ministers. 6.
- The presence of numerous Delegates from all countries; a complete list of the Members and of the organizations they represent will be sent you later.

Tomorrow morning we have mestings of the various Committees. Numerous friends are with us, including M. Peyronnet, M. Marc Chesneau, M. Rey de Vilette, Melle. Barbet de Vaux, etc. The Belgian press is sympathetic. Yesterday the "Mation Belge" had an article on the front page Thank you for your cordial cable. It has been read to the audience as soon as it was handed over to me - at the Governor's reception.

Please excuse my writing; I am very tired as you may imagine after such a day. Consider this as a preliminary report only. I am happy that our Leader's name is surrounded with new glory!

Yours faithfully

George Chklaver.

St. George Hotel
Place du Bourg - Bruges

Bruges, Sept. 14th, 1931 midnight

Dear Mr. Horch,

I could not cable you yesterday, because the Post Office is closed on Sundays. Today (Monday) I cabled you a short report about the opening of the Conference. It is difficult to cable detailed reports: today's message cost us Frs. 431.

The second day of the Conference has been as interesting as the first one. The Meeting of the Sections took place at the Governors Palace at 10 a.m. I presented to the Juridical Section the Resolution concerning the use of the Banner in time of peace. A lively discussion followed in which Baron de Taube and the other Members participated. I also made a general statement concerning the significance of the Pact, the objections raised against it in some quarters and the manner in which these objections can be refuted. The Representative of the Italian Cities Prof. Moschetti has read a remarkable report on the preservation of works of art in Italy. M. Marc Chesneau made an inspiring speech on the enthusiasm with which Professor de Roerich's idea should be propagated throughout the World. One of the Belgian Delegates, M. de Graeve, representing the City of Furnes, proposed that in each Army there should be Officers specially entrusted with the preservation of Art on the theater of war. Many of the Members spoke on the questions mentioned in the schedule.

At 2:30 p.m. a second meeting took place. French and Belgian Delegates brought new suggestions, such as the creation of a general "refuge" for works of art, where all such objects could be transported

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in time of danger. M. Rey de Villette (Paris) spoke of the destruction of churches in Russia (25000 religious buildings have been destroyed in recent years). M. Rey's communication made a deep impression on the audience. Baron Nyweldt de Juylen (?), Professor Overbeck. M. Erkulis (?) and the Director of the Brussels Museums read reports on various points concerning the technicalities of the Roerich Pact (from the standpoints of International Law, of military rules and regulations, of protection against poisoned gaz, etc.) The Roerich Pact was recommended for study in the Military Schools. Late in the afternoon the Delegates visited the City in motor-boats provided for the municipality. A concert was offered at 9 p.m. (?) Mme. de Vaux-Phalipau, Baron de Taube and I were invited for tea at the Benedictine Monastery of St. Andrew near Bruges which is a famous seat of learning. The Abbot wishes to establish scientific relations with Urusvati. Please excuse my scribbling. I have hardly slept at all since the beginning of the Conference. With best wishes to Mrs. Horch and to all our dear co-workers Yours faithfully

Yours faithfully
Sgd. George Chklaver

St. George Hotel
Place du Bourg BRUGES

Bruges, Sept. 15th, 1931 Midnight

Dear Mr. Horch,

Today I have to report in the first place the happy news which came from our Paris Office: following our reiterated requests, the President of the French Republic has granted to Professor de Roerich the Goss of the Legion of Honor. We are very happy that our dear Leader has been made a Knight of the Great Order founded by Napoleon: in this way the French Nation manifests once more its admiration for Nicholas de Roerich's achievements. I read the Paris cable to the Gonference and a thunder of applause greeted the announcement, with cries of "Vive Roerich". The morning sitting was taken by various communications and new proposals. Then at 2:30 p.m. took place the closing meeting of the Conference. All the resolutions were discussed and adopted after debates which at times became very animated. All the resolutions finally were approved by unanious votes. The representative of the French Minister of Foreign Affairs attended the meeting.

Late in the afternoon the Roerich Society Delegation offered a tea at the St. Georges Hotell. The reception was attended by all the Members and by the local authorities. All those to whom Insignia had been granted wore them. His Excellency Baron Janssens de Bystowe, Governor of West-Flanders, wore his Insignia above his other decorations. He told us that he would submit to King Albert Professor Roerich's nomination for a Belgian Order.

We much regretted Mr. and Mrs. Migel's absence, as thus we had no representative of the New-York Roerich Society.

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The Belgian Press has been very favorable to us throughout the Conference and has pbulished extensive reports of the proceedings.

The Conference has decided to create a permanent Committee at
Bruges to continue the campaign for the ratification of the
Roerich Pact. A second Conference is foreseen for next mear.

I am leaving Bruges Sept. 17th. I will go to Geneva and then take
a few days rest. Mme. de Vaux-Fhalipau, Baron de Taube, M. Peyronnet and M. Marc Chesneau wish me to convey to you their greetings. Please give my best regards to Mrs. Horch, to Mr. and
Mrs. Lichtmann and Miss Grant. I am in receipt of Mr. Maurice
Lichtmann's letter. Please excuse me for not answering all
letters at once, but these days have been so extremely trying!

Sgd George Chklaver

Yours faithfully

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WEEK-END LETTERS

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Paris June 29th 1933

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Mr Louis L. HORCH President Rosrich Museum New-York.

Dear President Horch,

We highly appreciated the news concerning the plan which you and your co-Workers at New-York devised for a Convention to be held in the Capital City of the United States on November 17th and 18th. We wholeheartedly welcome this idea, and we will do our best to cooperate with you and to carry out your suggestions as regards the participation of Europe in that great event. The Roerich Pact Committee of the European Center has thoroughly examined the question of how to ensure the success of your endeavor as far as European Governments and Cultural Institutions are concerned.

Considering that the Convention will be held at the Seat of the Government of the United States, where all the diplomatic Representatives are located, it will be comparatively easy to obtain the attendance of the various ambassadors and Ministers. In that respect your task will be easier than was ours at Bruges. The best way would be -in our opinion- to address a circular letter to the Ambassadors and Ministers accredited at Washington, inviting them to represent their respective Governments at the Convention. In that letter, the aims and purposes of the Convention, as well as the program and the names of the principal American Participants should be stated in full. Although the letters should be couched in identical terms for all the diplomatic Representatives, they should not bear the outer character of carculars, but should look, each one of them as an individual letter written to the particular addresses to whom it is directed.

In addition to the Ambassadors and Ministers representing Foreign Powers at Washington, it would be advisable, in our opinion, to request the attendance of the Holy See's Representative at Washington. There is no Apostolic Nuncio at Washington, but a Prelate of the Roman Catholic Church, residing at Washington, acts as an unofficial Representative of the Pope.

As you remember, the first and second World Conferences on the Roerich Pact were placed under the Homorary Presidenship of Professor de Roerich and under the protectorship of H.E. M.ADATCI, President of the Permanent Court of International Justice. It is a question to be considered and decided by you, with your knowledge of American conditions and circumstances, whether it would be advisable to request M. Adated to act in the same capacity at the Mashington Convention. May be that, owing to the fact that M. Adated is a Japanese, it would be somewhat objectionable to make him the Honorary Protector of the Convention in America. However, this is a paint which you only can determine. We will make every effort to get as many messages as possible from outstanding personalities and Cultural Institutions in Europe. For that purpose, will you please forward us a certain number of official invitations to the Convention? We will forward these invitations to the Personalities and Institutions concerned with explanatory letters, and request them to send messages either directly or through the medium of the European Center.

M.Maas Geesteramus who is, in our Committee, the Representative of the International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation of the League of Nations, has suggested that you should address an invitation to the Secretariate General of the League of Nations at Geneva. The Museum being a private Institution may, in that respects disregard the fact that the United States are not a Mamber of the League of Nations. We are entitled to presume that the Secretariate General of the League of Nations will agree to be represented at the Convention. We do not whink that such an invitation should be regarded as discredible to the United States Government; however, that question should be finally settled by you in conformity with local conditions.

It is important to knowbwho will actually preside the Convention. It would seem advisable to request a United-States Senator to undertake this task. This would facilitate the acceptance of invitations here, and the obtention of messages, as it would give an official character to the Convention, at least, as far as European minds are concerned.

Naturally, we will send a message to the Convention, and so will each one of our affiliated groups. If it proves impossible for any one of us here, or our closer European Friends to attend the Convention, we will entrust one of our co-morkers at the Museum with the task of representing the European Center and their affiliated Organizations and to speak in their names.

We will further consider this matter and submit to you any new suggestion or proposal which will appear to us as condusive to the success of the Washington Convention. In the meantime, we wish to convey to you, Dear President Horch, and to your co-Workers at the Museum, our cordial wishes for the further progress of your splendid achievements.

Please give my best greetings to Mrs Horch, and believe me, always, Yours faithfully.

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Office of the President

January 10, 1936.

Dr.Georges Chklaver 12 Rue de Poitiers Paris VII. France

My dear Dr. Chklaver,

I wish to notify you that some changes have taken place in the Institution here.

Since the reorganization of last February, the Roerich Museum building has been conveyed to the Master Institute of United Arts, Inc. and it no longer belongs to the Roerich Museum. The cultural activities are now being conducted under the auspices of the Master Institute of United Arts and the building also bears this name.

I should also like to inform you that Mrs Horch, Miss Esther J.Lichtmann Mr Sidney Newberger and I have terminated our relationship with Professor and Madame Roerich and we no longer accept their leadership.

I take this occasion to advise you that Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, Dr.E.Gil Borges, and Professor Ralph V.D.Magoffin have resigned from the Permanent Committee for the Roerich Pact.

With cordial greetings, I am

very truly yours,

(signed) Louis L. Horch

Louis L. Horch, President.

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