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July 27, 1935

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Dear Dr. Chklaver,

Many thanks for your kind letter of June 26th with the enclosed two copies of the letters from Col. K. The situation is apparently difficult for the Colonel, but he has made it hard for himself by moving away from the place where he had employment. You know how strenuous times are now for every one and how difficult it is to find employment or to find financial support.

I was so happy to hear from Baron M. de Taube and you of the enthusiasm aroused by the news of the Banner of Peace Convention in Washington under the auspices of the Roerich Museum. During our last visit to Washington, Mr. Horch and myself met with the greatest cordiality on the part of all the Ambassadors and Ministers of all the foreign lands. All of our friends consider it an unprecedented case when an institutions was treated like a country ----- it is indeed an unprecedented case when all the doors of all of our Embassies were opened with such response and cordiality within a couple of days to representatives of cultural institutions; and all this open heartedness and respect are due to the admiration and highest esteem which the representatives of all foreign countries have for our beloved and great Leader - Nicholas de Roerich. As soon as Mr. Horch asked for an appointment, the appointment was at once arranged within an hour's time. Even such Embassies as the British Embassy arranged the appointment to suit our time. All Ambassadors and Ministers were exceedingly interested in our Master's epoch making idea of the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace. Needless to tell you how heartily hailed was the Roerich Pact by those high representatives whose motherlands have contributed to the world's treasury of Art and Culture. It was a continuous testimony of highest esteem and admiration for our Leader's great work and ideals. It was indeed an unforgettable visit - the memory of which we will ever cherish as well as to be humbly grateful for the great privilege given to me as well as all of us - to work for such a great and noble cause in the name of our Master and our beloved "Inspiratrice Madame de Roerich".

As to the American Government and State Department, the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace has aroused their great interest as well as a very sympathetic and encouraging attitude. The Convention promises to be in every way of greatest importance and will be crowned with a meritorious success. Your cooperation is most valuable as well as

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well as the cooperation of Baron de Taube.

We were so happy to learn of your/^{firm}and dignified stand which you took with with Mr. Tulpinck. Soon there will be a committee in every country towards the recognition of the Banner of Peace for the World is greatly in need of this saving measure.

I can well imagine how the lowering of the dollar affects your budget. You can't imagine how we worry about it. Ofcourse it is yet far from being balanced financially, and the inflation of the stock market has in no way improved the life of the country. Thus far only a very insignificant portion of our population have gained through gambling- the others still remain hard up for money, but with our enlightened President and "the new deal" - a new dawn will come for America. We are as confident and as hopeful as ever.

As to our battle, we are winning out more and more every day. The law of justice has so provided that our Chief Attorney who has won for us the case was chosen the next day by President Roosevelt after he had taken our case- to serve as one of the twelve members of the Banking Commission- appointed to investigate the doings and wild practices of the banks and committees, which have brought about the disaster in our country. As it so happened the Committee and the bank which intended to swallow up the Roerich Museum- were on the bench of those condemned by public opinion for ruthless racketeering and our attorney was one of their prosecutors. This fact as well as many others have indicated to us the great Hand of Justice and Providence! What else remains for us co-workers and disciples of our Great Leaders if not to dedicate all of our devotion, faith and tireless efforts in the Service. Who knows better than we that our great cause shall and will live.

It is joyful to read of all of your wonderful activities. We strive heartily with you in the desire of achievement.

I have sent to you forty more books of Duvernois in various parcels for distribution among worthy friends.

With kind and best greetings,

Yours most cordially,

Vice-President

P.S. We shall do our best to help the Budget of the European Center.



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[mailed Sept. 19th]

Miss Esther J. LICHTMANN.
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India.

Dear Miss Lichtmann,

I was very glad to receive your letter of August 17th. I have ordered the four books which you desire to have and as soon as I get them from the booksellers, I will forward them to you. All these works being old and rare editions, it will take probably a little time before they can be secured. It will be necessary to look for them at bouquinists'.

I was very happy to receive from Kharbin letters from our Beloved Master and from my dear Friend George. I am also sending them various books and things which they have ordered.

Most of the influential people have not yet returned to town, so that we have to postpone a little the decisive steps as regards the Pact, but at the same time, I am taking measures for the spread of our ideals in the Press. I will send you one of my latest articles which has been placed in the "Russian Hearth". A number of points concerning our activities here are contained in my report. I am sending also to Madame de Roerich a number of copies of documents. It was very painful for me to hear that the monsoon has reflected greatly on Madame de Roerich's health. Our best thoughts are directed towards her, and we fervently pray for her health which is precious to all Humanity.

My dear Friend S. ... made me very happy by sending me

photographs of some of His beautiful works.

My Parents wish to be remembered to you . Their health is not very satisfactory, and we fear that my Father will have to undergo another operation on the eye.

Please convey to Madame de Roerich my feelings of devotion and deep reverence. I am sending my affectionate brotherly regards to dear Svetoslav.

Cordial greetings to Mr Shibayev.

With best wishes, I remain, as ever,

Faithfully yours,

George Chklaver

Secretary General.



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Miss Esther J. LICHTMANN
Naggar-Kulu

Dear Miss Lichtmann,

The present letter will reach you probably on the eve of Christmas. I am sending you my most cordial greetings and best wishes for the coming year. May 1935 bring you every happiness and new successes in the great Service of the Sacred Cause ! My thoughts often wander to the Shrine of Naggar where you work at the side of our Beloved Madame de Roerich to Whom I am sending my feelings of infinite devotion and reverence. It is a great joy for me to receive Her Indications .

Will you please let us know whether the different books sent at your request have safely reached you ("Aspasie", etc...)?

The enclosed reports will give you a general view of our activities here. Please convey my respects to Madame de Roerich and my affectionate greetings to dear Brother Svetoslav.

Cordial greetings to Mr Shybayev !

I am, as ever, dear Miss Lichtmann,

Faithfully Yours,

George Chklaver



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Paris, 22 mai 1934

Miss Esther J. LICHTMANN
NAGGAR-KULU
India

Dear Miss Lichtmann,

Many thanks for the beautiful photographs which you have kindly sent me and which gave me a new glimpse of the splendor of the Himalayas. I am also in receipt of Madame de Roerich's letter N° 6 to which I am replying per Air Mail, so that this letter may overtake the reports and documents sent herewith. Thus you will be fully informed of the work here and of the developments which are taking place here in every direction. In these strenuous days it was a real bliss to receive the beautiful message from Madame de Roerich and Her inspiring encouragements.

All our thoughts accompany Professor de Roerich and our dear George who must have reached now Japan. In my report I mention the measures which I have taken here to prepare for them the way, inasmuch as it is in my power. The Japanese Embassy here is willingly co-operating.

The other day I had the visit of the President of our Chinese Association of New-York who is sailing for Shanghai. He will keep in touch with me and work for the Pact.

Last week I have had an interview with M. Vitalis, Chief of the Cabinet of the Minister of Foreign Affairs. I emphasized the urgency of a move on the part of the French Government as regards the Pact. M. Vitalis is very favorably inclined towards the Pact and he will advise the Minister to act as soon as he will return from abroad. M. Marin is also bringing new pressure.

Association Française NICOLAS de ROERICH

Our groups continue their activities, especially the group "Affirmation" which is holding meetings regularly every week. The up-building of new groups in the other countries of Europe is progressing. We just have inaugurated the Roerich Association of Esthonia. The Lithuanian Association is being reorganized with the co-operation of a new friend, Dr Serafinin, who is particularly devoted to the Teachings of the Master.

You will find in the reports herewith enclosed all the details concerning our work. With our eyes fixed on the Great Future, we march onwards, under the Banner of the Master.

I am writing to dear Svetoslav giving him the information he required. Please give him my affectionate regards. I beg you to convey my love and respects to Madame de Roerich. My Parents, Madame de Vaux-Phalipau and all our friends here are sending you their cordial greetings. Please remember me to Mr Shibayeff and

Believe me always,

With best wishes

Faithfully yours

George G. Chklaver

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Urusvati
Aug. 17, 1934.

Dear Dr. Chklaver,

Many thanks for your kind letter of May 22d, which since long I wanted to answer, but was prevented to do so by one or another thing.

Needless to tell you of our joy in learning of all the glorious receptions tendered to our Beloved Leader in the Far East. Many were the manifestations of profound esteem and admiration for the great achievements in the field of Culture with which our Beloved Leader was met and hailed. You have no doubt received the the news - paper clippings.

All your activities in behalf of the Roerich Pact are greatly appreciated. This great humanitarian project is indeed very timely now, when fears of war and new destructions are looming in the air. We are so interested in every new development along this direction of the Banner of Peace.

I have a great favour to ask of you. Would you be so kind and try to get for me the following books.
Le Conte de Bievre: Les Deux Aspasiés (1736)
J.B. Capefigue: Aspasié et le siècle de Pericles (1862)
L. Bec de Fouquierie: Aspasié de Milet (1872)
H. Houssaye: Aspasié, Cleopatre, Theodora (1899)

Should it be impossible to find these editions in a book-shop, perhaps they could be found by a book-nist. A friend of mine who is interested in that époque would appreciate greatly having them. As soon as you will you will let me know the price I shall at once send you the money order.

The monsoon is rather heavy this year and it reflects greatly on our Beloved M-me de Roerich's health. Still we did not go to the heights this year. In Her fiery spirit M-me de Roerich works untiringly from morning to night. Dear Svetoslav is doing remarkable research work in the field of science and his paintings are masterpieces.

Hoping that you could have a rest this summer in the country, and that you and your dear Parents are feeling well,

With my best greetings to you,
Yours sincerely,