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25th. February. 1964.

My dear Dr. Keskar,

On the occasion of the 90th. Anniversary of Professor Nicholas Roerich's Birth, we have been asked by friends abroad what will be done in India as they intend also to bring out some publications of his during October this year, and already a very nice Monograph has been brought out in the U.S.S.R., on his work and ART. We wonder if the National Press Trust could bring out one of Professor Roerich's books, as they are all out of print now. So many of his books have been dealing with India, and the Himalayas, and it will be timely to have one of these books re-printed during this occasion.

I attach a short note by my husband on his Father, which will give you some idea about the scope of his work, though it is impossible to give in a short resume all that he has achieved in his life.

Please let me know if at all the National Press Trust would be interested in publishing such a book, it will be very nice indeed if you who know his work well, could have such a publication printed here in India, where he lived and worked.

With kind regards from us both, and every best wish

Devika Rani Roerich
Yours sincerely,

(DEVIKA RANI ROERICH.)

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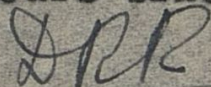
Dear Dr. Keskar,

This is just to let you know that we have returned to Bangalore.

Please let us know if any further steps have been taken in the preparation of the publication of the Album containing Prof. Roerich's Paintings on the occasion of his 90th BIRTH ANNIVERSARY. As discussed with you when we met in Delhi this Album could be of a larger size than the one you had. I agree with you that the publication of a popular Album containing a selection of his paintings will be liked very much.

With kind regards from both of us.

Yours sincerely,



(DEVIKA RANI ROERICH)

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24th. August. 1964.

My dear Dr. Keskar,

Thank you so much for your very nice letter of the 20th, also for the 2. photographs so nicely autographed, which I very much wished to have as a remembrance of our Exhibition and those nice days.

We were in Delhi just for a few days, but when I tried to phone you there was no reply. Krishna then told me that you were out of town, and he also gave me your message about the Folder of Prof. Roerich, which the National Book Trust of India will bring out on the occasion of his 90th. Birth Anniversary this year. Before we shall select anything such as the Paintings to be sent to your Block makers and other things which you may need such as a Preface etc., I will be very much obliged if you kindly send to me exactly what is needed.

- 1.- How many paintings of Prof Roerich?
- 2. 6 How many in Black and white- how many in colour?
- 3.- Who to send them to?
- 4.- Who will be responsible for these paintings, as this is also very important, since they will be originals.
- 5.- And also a sort of conformation from you that this Folder will be done, and what is needed from us for it.

Krishna said that you had told him that it will be done, and that we had to select the paintings, but now it is best to really have your instructions so that we may go ahead with all that is required by you. Please let me know as soon as possible.

With our very warm regards,

*and best wishes
Yours sincerely,
Devika Ranit Roerich.*

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My dear Krishna,

As advised by you, I have written today about the actual things needed before we really do anything about the paintings etc: of Prof. Roerich for the folder which the National Book Trust will be bringing out on the occasion of his 90th. Birth anniversary in October. It really need not be exactly on the 9th. of October, but anytime as soon as possible.

the points are:-

- 1.- How many paintings of Prof. Roerich are needed?
- 2.- How many in colour & and Black and White?
- 3.- To whom to send them to?
- 4.- Who will be responsible for them? They will be original, so they have to be looked after.
- 5.- A confirmation from the Chairman, and a list from him as to exactly he wishes to have, so that we shall be clear on this matter.

The above I have asked Dr. Keskar today, and have asked him to please let me know as soon as possible. I shall be most grateful if you will help me in this matter, as really before anything is done, we shall have to have all details, so that we can work upon them, and give our suggestions when and if needed.

It is such a pity that we could not meet when we were in Delhi, but when we do meet, then we should spend really some time together.

With much love to you both,

Yours affectionately
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29th. October. 1964.

My dear Dr. Keskar

It is a pleasure to receive your warm letter of the 26th. which reached us yesterday, not as long as it sometimes takes to get letters from Delhi. We both were very happy to have you visit us at our home, and we hope that you will come again and again here. You should spend at least one day with us, it is always nice to come to Tea, spend the night here and one can easily go into town the next morning. The evenings are fresh and cool and it would give you rest also.

We are happy to know that you are going into the matter of the Album and look forward to hearing from you about it in the near future. If a first class man could take the colour photographs here, we could also have some of my husband's done, so that he would find it worth his while. We need colour reproductions and this would be a good opportunity to have them done.

We just came back from Mysore where the Government gave to my husband two Awards, one for "SPECIAL SERVICE IN THE FIELD OF ART & CULTURE", and the other "AS AN ARTIST OF WORLD REPUTE", it was very nice there, and we liked Mysore after such a long time, it was cooler than here.

If we come to Delhi sometime after the 20th of November, as we shall be in Bombay around the 15th. and from there go on to Delhi then we shall certainly contact you, and hope you will be there at that time.

With our best wishes to you for Divali,

*and our warm
regards,
Yours sincerely,
Sankar*

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When I really type fast, letters are not as neat as the girls' but I like to finish all my personal letters and not keep them pending, so please do not mind if it is not as clean in typing.