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Cantonment,  
Bangalore.-1.,  
Mysore State. S. India.  
10th. October. 1964.

My dearest Kira,

Thank you very much for your letter which just reached us, and for your good wishes and thoughts to us for the 90th. Birth Anniversary of Prof. Roerich. Yesterday, we had the Broadcast all over India, and all this week in all parts of India they will have it on all different stations. On the 10th today in all the world will go this broadcast of my husband, but it is very sad that in the USSR. it seems our waves do not reach. In Naggar they will have had yesterday officially a wonderful meeting of this event, when thousands of people from all over the mountains will come, and all the officials as well, the Commissioner will inaugurate this occasion in front of the Monument of our Father, and also they will have the speech read in front of the Roerich Gallery there, so also in the Stupa Grounds of Mme. Roerich at her Samadhi in KALIMPONG, and also in KERALA, they will have this occasion observed, here also. So many papers have covered this event yesterday, and it is receiving the greatest attention. My husband is receiving all FROM THE MYSORE GOVERNMENT TWO HONOURS, ONE FOR HIS SERVICE FOR ALL THE GOOD WORK HE HAS DONE IN INDIA, AND IN THE STATE OF MYSORE, IT IS CALLED THE "SPECIAL AWARD", AND IS GIVEN AT THE OFFICIAL DUSSERA FESTIVAL HERE IN THE STATE, AND ALSO FOR HIS ART AND CONTRIBUTION TO ART AND CULTURE. IT IS THE BEST DISTINCTION IN THIS STATE, GIVEN TO VERY FEW PEOPLE.

IN THE USSR ALSO A WONDERFUL TRIBUTE HAS BEEN PAID TO BOTH FATHER AND SON BY NAMING TWO GLACIERS IN THEIR NAME, HERE IS THE TEXT TO US, AND WHICH THE PRESS ALL OVER INDIA HAS PUBLISHED, PLEASE TELL OUR DEAR FRIEND MR. BELICOV AS HE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO GET SOMEONE TO TRANSLATE ALL THE ABOVE NEWS, THIS NEWS SHOULD BE ALSO PUBLISHED IN THE PRESS OF THE USSR, AS IT COMES AT THE TIME OF THE 90TH. birth anniversary of Prof. Roerich. Here it is:-  
TWO RUSSIAN GLACIERS NAMED AFTER ROERICH'S.

NEWS HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE USSR. THAT THE TWO HITHERTO UNCHARTED GLACIERS IN THE KIRGHIZ ALATAU IN THE BASIN OF THE ALAMEDIN RIVER HAVE BEEN NAMED IN HONOUR OF THE WORLD RENOWNED ARTISTS NICHOLAS ROERICH AND SVETOSLAV ROERICH".....

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This is very good news indeed and it came just now to us. Everywhere it has been published, and our PRESIDENT OF INDIA HAS SENT HIS CONGRATULATIONS TO US ON THIS IMPORTANT NEWS ITEM .

I am happy that you received the "EVES' WEEKLY", AND PENFRIEND I will send you these from time to time. Yes, we are on many such things and our cultural work is very much. I am now very busy on all the work and writings of my husband, and all my time is taken up. I will write to you soon again when you answer this letter, and also please send to me as many PRESS CUTTINGS, of the 90th. Birth anniversary of Prof. Roerich. Many great men and Institutions have sent messages to the Ministry of Culture, and I hope they have received them. Tell Mr. Belicov, that on the occasion of the 60th. anniversary of George so many great men sent messages to the Institute of Oriental studies, but none got any letter of thanks. With love from us. *Devika Kaur*



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S. India. 26th.October. 1964.

Our very dear Kira,

Thank you so much for your wonderful greetings to my husband for his 60th. birthday, with the little medal of Tallinn, which all our friends liked, and which we both like so much, and we shall always keep it with your greetings, and the wishes you sent with so much affection. I kept it on the table of my husband on his birthday, and it was so nice with wonderful flowers and we thought of you and sent you our very very warm and strong greetings. We also received your wishes on the occasion of the 90th. birth day of Prof. Roerich, I have kept it with all the messages we got for this anniversary, and will publish in the little book which I will print later just a few extracts from it, I will do this later as we are getting now many more messages etc. and will select some from all we receive. It was such a wonderful day on the 9th. & the 23rd. on the 23rd. we had Pooja done as we do here, the traditional blessings read, with flowers, and all that is so very beautiful. It is considered a great time in a man's life when he reaches 60, and there are very wonderful old sayings by the Rishies to this day, old and very sacred are such days, and it was truly wonderful to listen to these old learned men read such sayings, and we were so happy on this day. S. N. started a new and most interesting painting of his on this day his 90th. birthday. I wish to write a lot, but time will not allow me to, as there many many letters to answer, but before I stop, please tell Mr. Belicov, that we greatly liked his messages 1- for the 90th. Birth Anniversary of Prof. Nicholas Roerich, and 2.- his beautiful message on the 60th. birthday of my husband. We shall soon have them translated, by my husband, and then I will have them printed. It will be done in a fine way, but you must please let Mr. Belicov know as soon as you can that we have received both these messages which we greatly liked. Thank him please, I will write to him, but S. N. will also, so that is why I am waiting for some time when S. N. will be free, which will be in a few days time. It is strange that all messages for the 60th. birthday came in very good time, the mail was so quick, and we were so happy to have them, especially from you all. The Master seemed to be there in the Studio when the old sayings were read and recited, it really was so wonderful that day, we shall ever remember it! I wish I could write long letters to you dear Kira, this will be only later when I have a little time, now we are very rushed.

With much love from us to you, and India's blessings and the fragrance of all the Jasmine which now is in blossom now,  
Ever yours affectionately,

*Devika Rani*

( DEVIKA RANI . )

*Дорогая Кира,*

*Ваше поздравление с юбилеем моего мужа с медалью Таллина мы с удовольствием получили. Спасибо за прекрасные цветы и поздравления. Мы также получили ваши пожелания по поводу 90-летия профессора Рериха. Мы сохраним их вместе со всеми сообщениями, которые мы получили по этому поводу, и опубликуем в небольшой книжке, которую я издаю позже. Просто выедем несколько выдержек из нее, я сделаю это позже, так как мы сейчас получаем много сообщений и т.д. и выберем некоторые из всех, которые мы получаем. Это было такое замечательное событие 9-го и 23-го. 23-го мы делали पूжу, как мы делаем здесь, традиционные благословения читали, с цветами, и все это так очень красиво. Это считается большим временем в жизни человека, когда он достигает 60 лет, и в этот день есть очень красивые старые сказания Рishi. Старые и очень священные такие дни, и было действительно замечательно слушать этих старых ученых читать такие сказания, и мы были так счастливы в этот день. С. Н. начал новую и очень интересную картину к своему 90-летию. Хотела написать много, но времени не хватает, так как много писем отвечать, но перед тем как остановиться, пожалуйста скажите г-ну Беликову, что мы очень понравились его сообщения 1- по поводу 90-летия профессора Николая Рериха, и 2- его прекрасное сообщение по поводу 60-летия моего мужа. Мы скоро их переведем, переводит мой муж, а затем мы их будем печатать. Это будет сделано в очень хорошем виде, но вы должны обязательно сообщить г-ну Беликову как можно скорее, что мы получили оба этих сообщения, которые мы очень любим. Поблагодарите его, пожалуйста, я напишу ему, но С. Н. тоже, поэтому я жду некоторое время, когда С. Н. будет свободен, что будет через несколько дней. Странно, что все сообщения по поводу 60-летия пришли в очень хорошее время, почта была так быстра, и мы были так счастливы их получить, особенно от вас. Мастер как будто был в студии, когда читали и декламировали старые сказания, это действительно было так замечательно в этот день, мы всегда будем помнить его! Хотела написать длинные письма вам, дорогая Кира, это будет только позже, когда у меня будет немного времени, сейчас мы очень спешим.*



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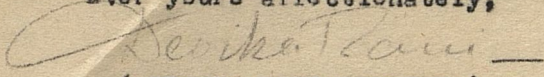
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My very dear Kira,

Thank you with all my heart for typing the article on my husband's Art for me. This is a real gift, and one which is so very useful, I have no one here to do this work, that is why I asked you, and you have done it for me. I am most grateful to you and am very happy to receive it. It is good also that you have done the copies on thin paper, this is very useful, and your typing is so neat, clear, and nice to read. Did you also hear the Broadcast from Mrs. Fosdick on Prof. Roerich and his paintings at the Roerich Museum in New York? If not, do ask P. F., and he will tell you about it. I am very happy that P. F., received all the things we sent to him including the last list of "MY LIFE", this completes our list to him, and he has sent some extra list of articles on "MY LIFE", which was given by Raya to add to the list. S. N. has asked P. F. some questions about this list in his letter to him today, which I hope P. F. will answer, the point is has Raya got any original articles of "MY LIFE"? But P. F. will find out, she has not written to us about this matter at all, nor have we, as we were only sending these lists to P. F., as he wished to have them for the final list of works of Prof. Roerich, his writings. Tell me, did you have to pay any duty for the silk scarf which I sent to you from Delhi? A friend of mine in the USSR had to, and it is wrong, as this is just a simple gift, so when you have time, let me know please. I hope you had nothing to pay, as it is not expensive enough and there is a rule that things under a certain amount is not taxable. I feel happy that you sent 12, copies of the article, this is very useful. I am not able to write to you much now, as in 2. days we are going up north, and from there to Kulu. I am happy you received all my letters, write when you can to me to the above address, your letters will be forwarded to us.

With much love to you, take good care of yourself,

Ever yours affectionately,

  
( DEVIKA RANI ROERICH.)