C/o The Indian Bank Ltd.
Infantry Road, Cantonment, Bangalore.-1.,
Mysore State.
S. India.
8th. Dec. 1964

Our very dear Sophia Abexandrovna,

Thank you so much for your two very dear and welcome letters which we received upon our return from the North where we had to go for so much work. We just returned, and it was such a joy to get all the things you sent us. 1. WE RECEIVED A WHOLE PACKED OF NEWSPAPRES AND ALSO A VERY NICE PHOTOGRAPH OF OUR PRESIDENT REPRODUCED IN THE PRESS, THE NEWS ABOUT THE COSMONAUTS. etc. which we were very happy to get. 2. Then your dear letter in which you sent the 3. wonderful leaves "ANEMONE HEPATICA", which you got at the Monastry at VALLAM, which I will keep carefully as it is like a blessing. THEN THE FINE PHOTOGRAPHS WHICH YOU SENT OF VALLAM, which my husband was so happy to receive, as he with his Father and Mother and Brother was there and they had very wonderful times there, which to this day he ### tells me about, so has kept these photographs carefully. Your letter and the Press cuttings, and the BOOK BY NEKRASOV " THE FATE OF A SHIP", also came, and I am so happy with the news of Prof. Roerich's Exhibition, and the Press cuttings! It is wonderful that you went to the Island of VALLAM, your description of your visit, is so fine, you always write so well, and we greatly enjoy your letters of your travels. My husband translates so well, that I feel that I have also been with you to VALLAM ISLANDS! Please do not worry about your mentioning about Mr. Korin being the President of the Academy, my husband did write and congratulate him, but it was a very beautiful letter, and I feel sure that Mr. Korin will appreciate my husband's sentiments and will be happy. After all it is the expression of feelings from one great Artist to another, and expressions of beauty, so even if he is not the President of the Academy, he will be happy to receive such a letter from my husband. From all you have written about Mr. Korin, he seems such a fine person, so good, and such a great man in his own soul, that he will be really happy to receive such a nice letter from my husband, who has expressed so many of his own thoughts on Art in his letter to Mr. Korin. YESTERDAY, my husband received your long and fine capies of OPINIONS FROM THE EXHIBITION OF PROF. ROERICH WHICH ARE MOST INTERESTING, AND WE ARE VERY VERY HAPPY TO GET THEM, IT MUST HAVE BEEN SUCH A TROUBLE TO HAVE COPIED THEM OUT, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THEM, MY HUSBAND WAS VERY HAPPY TO GET THESE PRECIOUS THINGS STRAIGHT FROM THE EXHIBITION. Do not worry about the photographs showing my husband in the Press cuttings, it is sometimes taken like that, thank God, he is very well, and we both are, and feel ourselves very fine. The climate up north and here, is just wonderful, we have potenty good Milk, home made butter, lovely fruit, and all we wish, India has so many things which one is able to have, the vegatables, and so on here, are very fine, as we live near the BLUE MOUNTAINS, from where all the best things are sent, including very good HONEY. Our trouble is how to keep our weight down, as such pure thangs tend to put on weight. It is true that we work hard, and this is our great joy. There are sevral books which I wish to get printed now, and besides the 90th. Birth Anniversary of Prof. Roerich, and my husband's 60th. birthday, and all the various meetings and letters from all over the world, keep me very very busy. I have little time to do other things, but now we have so many friends also, for instance, on Wednesday, 40/ Russian students are coming to us, they are visiting Bangalore, which is called the GARDEN CITY OF INDIA. All the time we have much to do, our day begins very early, by 8.-30., in the morning we start our work, and when we go to town, where our new office is, we work all day, to do work, which cannot be done in our Estate, as our Secretaries are in

THE SPECIAL STAMPS OF THE ENVELOPE ARE IN HONOUR OF THE POPE'S VISIT, THEY ARE OF ST. THOMAS WHO FIRST CAME OUT TO INDIA TO PREACH HERE, HE AS YOU KNOW WAS ONE OF THE APOSTLES OF JESUS CHRIST. GIVE THESE STAMPS TO ANYONE WHO LIKES TO COLLECT THEM = cm PLEASE. W > CO WW ZX エングロンス and they cannot come here as it is far out in the country. You will be happy XD to know that the POPE came here to Bombay, and millions received him, he came PROFIT from Rome, for the EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS, which was attended by thousands of と言る On people also from abroad. Here all the time people come from other countries, holding all sorts of Seminars, and meetings, and everyone is so happy to be の画手 here. In Bombay they had a wonderful session of the Congress which the Pope Mattended for a few days, millions came to greet him from all parts of India, and our Government looked after him well. It is nice that India is such an International country, it gives the people a chance to meet their brothers and sisters from all other countries, and to learn much. I will send you later ON TON I mour booklet published on the occasion of the 90th. birth anniversary of Prof. Roerich, and also some Press cuttings. I may be able to later get a small booklet printed which will be nice, with the Broadcast of my husband on his D Father, some selected important messages, and some Press reports, which well che interesting as a record. I will not write more, as I wish my husband to write スペンと Meven a few lines to you today. With much love to you dearest Sophia Alecandrovna Ever your loving, ( DEVIKA.) Dafras Cafees accompleto, hands ja ber nocemen. Tour creat foger naugrumi amjorbes a feremalus f. h. nacedo ga rescine, aperiora. Da lorens lefore house of graces. Monga man during greene Соды, мастерския. Тоно много сминись, Rominerob-dedenno na Clamon dempole Reflect Rfacebour Rface. Noute to cuese Morga beenou que dous no compolar dogores. Mero morga nicas Imagol u inteface a compobacy. Been, Bue face che I Jenno odruman Bun 5. +

C/o The Indian Bank Ltd:, Infantry Road, Cantonment, Bangalore.-1., Mysore State. S. India. 6th. February. 1965.

Our very dear and beloved Sophia Alexandrovna,

First I wish to let you know that all the things which you sent
to us we have received, and now on our return also we have got
your letter of January 15th. with all the enclosed matter.

1- The Press cuttings which are of great interest to us, and
S. N. has taken one for his file of the Academy which he said
was very interesting. 2.- The fine article of LEONED ANDREIEV,
and 3.- the article about the Kizhi Monastry, from the Ogoniok
4. THE OPINIONS FROM THE BOOK OF OPINIONS WHICH YOU TOOK ALL

THE TROUBLE TO WRITE AND TO HAVE TYPED, this is most useful, and we are so very grateful to you for them. We shall keep them with the first lot of OPINIONS you sent to us, and later when S. N. has some time, he will translate some of them for perhaps the booklet on the 90th. birth anniversary of Prof. Roerich. WE HAVE ALSO RECEIVED ALL THE PHOTOGRAPHS YOU SENT TO US FROM THE VALLAM MONASTERY AND ALSO WE RECRIVED THE LITTLE LEAVES OF THE AMEMONE AND ALSO MY HUSBAND HAS ESPECIALLY WRI-TTEN TO YOU AND THANKED YOU AND WE BOTH WROTE TO YOU ABOUT THESE LOVELY THINGS WHICH YOU SO LOVINGLY SENT TO US. S. N. also wrote to you in this same letter of his memories of his stay in Vallam, and I hope that by this time, you will have received this letter of ours- please let me know when you receive it, as I do not wish it to get lost. Generally, I register all letters to you in which S. N. writes -s, as he can write by hand seldom, and that is why , I like to have them well sent by AIR MAIL. PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF THIS LETTER HAS REACHED YOU. 5. We also received the MISSING PAGE FROM YOUR VERY INTERESTING STORY ON LAPLAND, thank you very much for this also. In another letter to you today I am sending to you a silk scarf, which I do hope you will like, please let me know when it reaches you. We have been away to Delhi, where S. N., had to judge the paintings of Artists from all over India for the National Academy Awards, from 2000/ paintings which was a lot of work, and again we go to Delhi on the 26th. and will return in a week. I am not able to write much, but just wished to let you know that we have now received everything you sent to us with so much loving care, thank you with all my heart for all these things which we shall keep with loving care as they are very important, and they are precious because you sent them. When I return from the North, I shall have more peace to write to you, now I must stop, as I wish to catch the mail, and S. N. will also write a few lines in this letter. WIRH MUCH LOVE TO YOU, yours affectionately,

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19th. March. 1965.

Our very dear Sophia Alexandrovna,

Thank you so much for your dear letter of the 6th. March and also for all the News Paper cuttings which you so kindly sent to us which my husband was happy to receive, as he likes to read the interesting news items on Art etc. I am happy that you have at last received our letter to you about the photographs which you sent to us about your trip to Vallam, my husband also wrote to you in that letter so now you know that we received everything that you so very

kindly sent to us. My husband read only the part of the letter to me, he said that the other part of your dear letter was to him, and he was very happy to read all your news. We had such a very busy time in Delhi with all the Government meetings, and also the Academy meetings, but it was so very. nice there as it was really Spring, and Delhi was full of Flowers, all sorts of flowers European and Indian, and it looked like a great and beautiful Garden. Your letter about the beauty of the Ice Skating made us very happy as your description was so beautiful, it must have looked like a dream to see this wonderful display of this Art, and we wish we could have seen it with you! We have kept with great care the OPINIONS which you sent to us from the Exhibition of Prof. Roerich, they are most interesting, and very wonderful and it has made us very happy to see how many young people hase liked his paintings, and expressed so much joy seging them. It is always the young who react to such things, and always Prof. Roerich was interested in the young, and he would have been so happy to know that the young people in his own land liked so much his work, his message in all he did was for the young, for they are the real builders of the future. There is so much to tell you, but in thi -s letter I will not write much as we have just come back from Delhi, and we have to finish many things here, and so there is little time. You may get the SILK SCARF still, as it takes time to reach, some other friends from the USSR to whom I sent some scarfs wrote to say that they received them, so you will by the time this letter reaches you get this scarf. Yes, I also hope it does not get lost. You are such a wonderful person that it will reach you, so do please let me know when it does. We had the great news of the Cosmonaut in space, what a great man he must be to fly right out of the Machine, and float like that in space! In India we get at once all the news of the world, and we also can get all the Broadcests from all parts of the world, we listen in to Russian news also, and hear all countries well, music too, so we get very fin - music from all over the world. I will not write more, I send to you my love and all my best wishes to you, take good care of yourself, and write to us as soon as you can, it gives us much joy to receive your letters.

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