HOME MINISTER, INDIA.

NEW DELHI, May 10, 1958.

## My dear Devika Rani,

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The other day when you came to see me with your husband, you spoke to me about the difficulties you were having regarding the re-import of the original paintings you had left abroad. You had also left with me certain papers in that connection. The matter has been reconsidered and the request made by you has been accepted. You can now have the paintings without paying any customs duty. Necessary formal orders will be soon reaching you. The Collector of Customs, Bombay, has also been informed of the Government's decision in the matter.

With best wishes for you and Dr. Roerich,

Yours sincerely,

sd/- G. B. Pant.

Shrimati Devika Rani Roerich, C/o. The Indian Bank Ltd., Bangalore Cantonment, Mysore State. TRUE COPY

HOME MINISTER, INDIA. CAMP: NAINITAL, May 26, 1958.

My dear Devika Rani,

I have received your letter of May 15, and also your earlier telegram.

I am glad to learn that you are arranging for a comprehensive exhibition of your husband's art. It will afford an opportunity to a large number of people in the country to see the original paintings of an artist who has made such an outstanding and significant contribution to the artistic wealth of the country and, if I may say so, to modern art. I would also look forward to the fulfilment of your efforts to set up a Roerich Gallery in Bangalore.

I shall be happy to visit your home and see your collection of paintings whenever an opportunity to do so comes my way.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- G.B. Pant.

Mrs. Devika Rani Roerich, C/o. The Indian Bank Ltd. Infantry Road, <u>BANGALORE</u> (S.India).