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NAGGAR,
Kulu,
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July 8th 1931.

Dear Frances,

Vol. VI.

We just received the manuscript "Realm of Light" and hasten to send the missing articles so that you shall be able to proceed at full speed with the publishing with this book. I am certain that you will give to this work your best thoughts, so that harmful mistakes and misprints should not lower the significance of the book so needed for the future. Keep all titles of the articles according to the enclosed contents. We shall keep Novgorod for the next edition otherwise this book will be too heavy. The color of the cover can be either as the Paris cover of the French Messenger or about the color like that of Flame in Chalice, or about as that of Shambhala. Perhaps green would be advisable. Keep in mind that for the reviews this book should be given only to those people in whose benevolent attitude we are absolutely certain. We cannot risk with ignoramuses and malevolence. I hope that this book shall help not only the future but also our actual campaigns which must be understood in the broadest way, touching the masses.

So many big organizations and Societies are mentioned in this book that their co-members must manifest a vital interest. We are sending you the following cable:

"Manuscript received. Title book: Realm of Light. Sending missing and four additional articles also insertion Womanhood. Stop Meanwhile proceed printing Stop. Keep titles according contents - Roerich "

and we are certain that this letter will find the book already in print and thus we shall not lose the beginning of the season, so important for the spreading of editions and for all our campaigns.

Think only, if 3 million members of Women's organizations shall buy our series of postcards "Realm of Culture", it would mean 3 million dollars!

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The series is combined in such a multivariety that it can attract the most varied hearts. And everyone before Christmas buys much more than for one dollar Christmas cards. Hence everything will depend upon how the distribution will be organized. It is such a vital undeferrable problem, that it is our duty to concentrate upon it our best abilities and thoughts. Fulfilling this duty we follow the Command of the Blessed Hierarchy.

We have sent on the 6th under registered cover:

article #17 Banner of Peace

- " #23 Inspite of Difficulties (Bulgarian)
 - " #19 Inauguration (to French Society)
 - " #20 Salutation to France
 - " #21 Constructive Work
 - " #24 Milestones of Culture (To German R.S.)
 - " #27 Himalayas (To Himalayan R.S.)
 - " #28 The Straight Path (South-African R.S.)
 - " #29 St.Segius - The Builder
 - " #18 Greetings to Bruges Conference.
 - " #56 Grandfather's Working Room.
- Also List of Contents, Publisher's Note, Dedication page.

We have further sent insertions for "Womanhood" and "Hail Artists" and end for article "Princess Tenisheff".

In Icon-Terem instead of "Itoglave" put everywhere "Stoglave", on page 5 instead of Vouchters put "Vouchters", on page 7 instead of "voevots" - "voevods". In the last sentence, last page replace "Palace of iconography" by "Terem of icons". On page 7 instead of "divided trousers" put "decorated trousers".

We also ask to change in "Grandfather's Working Room": instead of "cry" (second page) put "insist" and change quotation marks which are wrong.

In the article Talashkino, page correct the phrase instead of:

"where a thousand hands grab for the unusual..." put: "where the unusual is depressed by a thousand hands". Same page insert : "We cannot expect beauty in a rush of a metropolis".

Page 5 instead of "abandon of art" put "freedom of art".

Amidst those whom we can give the book for review are of course Kaun, Watson, Kunz-Baker, Forman, Narodny, M.Vaughn, Kettner, Schrack, Helline, Spencer, ^{is} ~~Lereie~~, Levis (in California), Mrs Martin San-Francisco, Kumar Halidar, Siritwardhana, Grebenstchikoff, Mme de Vaux Phalipau, Georges Chklaver, Dr.Hewett, McGoffin and to all others of similar friendship.

In spirit with you,

P.S. In "Spiritual Values" from Bulletin on page 4, instead of "the embers steadily blazing... etc." put: "Even the evil blazing can be easily controlled by conscious efforts of united cultural associations, sincerely directed towards the creative cognizance".

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my closed letter Wallace
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The Director
Roerich Museum Press
New-York.

Dear Miss G r a n t ,

I thank the Roerich Museum Press for sending the copy of the contract with Messrs Stratford, with which I agree.

I request you once more to give your greatest attention in order that the book which is published in a new to us company, is published with utmost care, that the announcements and reviews are made dignifiedly and are watched closely by the Roerich Museum Press, as I wrote already before.

I am confident that the translation has been duly revised and that no mistakes give raise to unpleasant comments as was the case with "Astrology" in the "Temple Artisan". Fortunately the material of this book was being gathered so long and had already passed the hands of several publishers, so that it no doubt was already then in full order.

You will be glad to hear that the Banner of Peace Campaign in the local Press proceeds most successfully and already 12 editions have appeared. The Indian Magazine's special number has probably already reached New-York by now for distribution in connection with the Convention. We shall be glad to hear of all results in this respect in the American Press.

Thanking you once more for the contract, I rely that everything in connection with this book will be in your best care.

Yours very sincerely,

P.S. Please instruct Messrs Stratford to send my ten author's copies IMMEDIATELY when the book appears to me at Naggar, by REGISTERED Bookpost. (of course not airmail, and not in sealed packets, as such are considered dutiable parcels, and go through Karachi customs.)

In the contract we note a clause about full copyright for the whole world in all languages for Stratfords. This is no doubt a formality only, because "Maitreya" and other articles have appeared in various periodicals before.

June 5, 1936.

My dearest Frances,

Many thanks for the beautiful reviews of your book. As I have already written I consider your book not only a remarkable achievement of yours, but also a wonderful manifestation precisely at this time. In India several reviews will appear and you should emphasize to the publishers that this is especially important, since the East itself deeply appreciates a book about the East. Thus in the darkest days of perfidy, treachery and crass barbarism there appear beneficial signs. One can but regret once more, how many handicaps the traitors are trying to put precisely on the path of achievement - prodvijeniye. It is a typical attack of satanic forces.

We appreciate greatly all your successful results concerning South Am. Let us hope that such a friend as Dr. Cohen will vigilantly defend the cause of the Pact in Buenos Aires.

I have already written that from London there has

come an interesting proposition about my exhibition there. Really it is evident that everywhere there are beautiful signs, which stand above all attacks of militant darkness.

We appreciate very much your suggestion about Buffalo. If Inge or Evelyn will receive two paintings from Mary, you will know that that they are - Buffalo. But perhaps you think it better that they be sent direct to Buffalo and if so let us know by return of mail and please give the exact name and address.

Our lawyers should be extremely vigilant, also in the matter of taxes. One can imagine what an ocean of lies will be poured out by the dark forces. We have already set aside material for the Boston Exhibition. Please let us know when to post them from here.

By the way who is Lilian Rogers who some time back has written so beautifully?

Continue to gather all friends - crusaders for Culture. You are quite right - not for a minute should one lose energy by relying too much on immediate victory. Victory is predestined - but one should accept it.
In heart and spirit with you

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June 26, 1936.

My dearest Frances,

I am sending you one more review of your book from the India Illustrated Weekly (Times of India) by Colonel Mahon. He wrote it twice as long but as it often occurs it was shortened by the editor without reason. However Col. Mahon expects it to appear in another paper in full.

The Prabuddha Bharata (Ramakrishna Mission) to whom a review was sent from here, asked to give them a book, what we could not do at present, as the four books had already been sent out (one to the Twentieth Century, the other to the eminent writer, President of Fine Arts Society of All-India, Dr. N.C. Mehta.) May the glory of your excellent work spread all over India. We have also sent out the review-copies of Mrs Sutro's book - but in the monthly magazines it takes time until they appear.

If possible please send us 6 Russian and 6 copies English of Duvernois. Also it would be useful

* one to Mr. R.C. Tandon of the Hindustan Academy, who is connected with the vernacular press, like "Sarasvati" etc, and one for K.P. Tampi for the South Indian press.

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to have the following blocks of the Bulletin:

"Madonna Laboris"
"Queen of Heaven"
"Mother of the World"
"Buddha the Conqueror".

Of course they must be sent very securely packed and with an inscription inside to the Custom Authorities to "handle with care and not to scratch" them.

We are anxiously awaiting to what exact address the two objects for Buffalo should be addressed.

We rejoiced heartily at the success of Mr. Miller in the case of SMS. May this be the beginning of the era of victory. We hope that as regards the tax matters every- has been duly arranged. The malefactors will do their utmost attacks especially in this direction.

It is splendid that you all are working in the highest unity. Indeed as it is said, the unity is not only an ethical conception but a real mighty motive power. And at present in the Crusade for Culture this motive force is imperative. How did Battle, Sporborg, Dale, Merritt, Vaughn react? - Indeed the Philadelphian immaculate conception is the limit! We all are sending you our best thoughts

in heart and spirit with you

N.R.

July 9, 1936.

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My dearest Frances,

From our cable replying to yours you know already our ideas about the exhibition. Who know, perhaps Clark at the Grand Central can be a very amiable co-operator in this case. This matter gives the possibility again to approach the artists and show complete friendliness to them. Anyhow every such movement shows vitality and proves to those who intended to kill everything, that their expectations are in vain. To keep up the activity and express vitality is the best weapon against dark attacks.

With the same mail we are sending a list of material which will be mail for the Boston Exhibition. If we shall have any more material coming in, we shall of course add this additionally. We do not know by what date the material should be gathered and therefore are beginning well in time in order that it is easier for you to combine this with the material you have in New-York. The main material is of course with you, Maurice and Sina. If you will feel that it would be desirable to present to Boston Library the offprints of my articles, then please do so in my name. The photographs can be shown to Clyde, and after the exhibition would best be returned to us here, but perhaps this exhibition will call forth some others in other cities (maybe in Tulsa) and in this case you may keep the photographs as long as needed. Kaun in Berkeley and Jacobson in Oklahoma and perhaps the University in Albuquerque or somewhere in Philadelphia may be interested to have such an exhibition also, therefore we send the material which is ready, already in advance.

The greatest tension will be in October and all this time should be used for gathering useful information and for informing our lawyers. Miller should be well informed about philosophy.

My article combatting ignorance has already appeared in the July issue of "TWENTIETH CENTURY". Such an articles, as also the SIGNS OF THE ERA (the Russian copy of which was sent by last mail) can be most necessary when question about philosophy may arise. The scientific point of view should everywhere underlined. The enemies of philosophy will endeavour to represent it as something non-scientific, but one should reply to quite quite definitely and strongly that only ignoramusses attack the various field of science and that they should know that nowadays numerous scientific institutes have and are being opened for various new researches. It is fortunate that Miller is well versed in this field. Of course for people who have taken no interest in philosophy it is impossible to grasp at once the full deep scientific significance, and also the deep meaning of the folklore-treasures. For you all it will be the easier to speak on this matter with Miller.

The malefactor will of course attack everything scientific and cultural, for being themselves uns cultured they will the fiercer revolt against all manifestation of Culture. The illegal resolutions of the usurpers on June 5th shows the entirescope of their inhumanness, criminal ignorance and hatred. They would like to annihilate all existence Thus in full unity, be on sacred vigil.

Splendid reviews of your book are appearing and have been promised. Mr.R.C.Tandan, of the Hindustan Academy, Editor of the "Hindustan Quarterly" defines your book as excellent. Tamy has also written a fine review, full of enthusiasm and this is destined to appear in the "New Outlook" shortly. Others have also been promised. Indeed the book is excellent. I am sorry to say that the health of Mme de Roerich is again unsatisfactory with great pains. In the armour of Light, as unconquerable warriors proceed. In spirit with you N.R.

July 13, 1936.

My dearest Frances,

This airmail has not yet reached us because of some breaches of the road. Therefore we have to send off this mail without your latest news. Of course the very latest news was in your cable about the closing of the School. Indeed this was formidable news, equal to the news of the destruction of the Louvain Library by vandals. Thus also other vandals are trying to destroy everything cultural. It is time that public opinion should indignantly protest against such ruthless annihilation. Apparently the malefactor have no fear of any laws - the misappropriate shares, they do not fear to break the charter, they are not interested in taxes, which were decreased thanks to the School, they shamelessly expel the founders of the institution and they slander, slander and slander. Now is the time of extreme vigilance, for as you see the malefactors do not stop at anything. Finally no-one of us knows of what we are actually being accused. The casual abrupt hysteric exclamation can all be easily refuted by us all. But you see that the real nature of the evil doers is such that they are not even ashamed to make claims about some cancelled loans, for which they themselves had issued a receipt stating that they were all completely liquidated. When one has to deal with such a degree of criminal obsession, then of course also the methods of defence have to be extraordinary. We hope that our lawyers understand with what ruthless criminals they have to deal. Thus by all means keep up and guard your unity and gather all cultural forces, devoted to truth.

In the last issue of the NEW OUTLOOK we find the Biosophical Institute in its list of contributors mentions my name. Whether they want an article or in general are ready for co-operation, you can judge better about this on the spot. Anyhow such a united group can be very useful in our crusade for Culture. Also all other similar groups should now be thoroughly informed.

Keeping up such connections we will know more and with their help may be able to find out the brooding places of evil.

Thanks to your connections with South America and Boston you may be informed about the doings of the subterranean dark forces. It is quite unheard that somebody having evidence of malicious attacks is unable to ascertain the exact formulae of the attackers. And is it possible that public opinion should silently and masterly-inactively pass by such injustice as for example the stealing of the shares. From our previous letters you know Strauss (from Macy's) discarding all diplomatic traditions, also tries to do his worse, and then avoids meeting people who wish to question him about it. So, what kinds of machinations are going on? We can imagine how your chronicle is enriched by deplorable facts. You certainly understand why it is imperative to have ^{the} R. Society or Association registered by our group; such an organization would be in the hands of best people only and would be that nucleus from which all further activities may spring forth. Precisely because of the terrific attacks of dark forces, it is imperative to have a registered or incorporated organization, in which you all would have unimpeded rights.

Also pay best attention that there be no side leakage, for undoubtedly the malefactors try everywhere to squeeze out information. It is most interesting, what kind of explanations to visitors in the Museum, are given by the malefactors themselves? - this is also an unheard off situation. I am very sorry to tell you that Mother's health is so unstable - and how can one possibly live on strophantus and musk only!

What do you think about all the events in the sphere of Gleen? Even the blind ones must soon see.

Of course you feel how both Mother and myself send you our best thoughts.
Warriors, warriors! In heart and spirit with you,

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P.S. Two packages for the Boston Exhibition are being mailed to-day.
We regret the passing away of
our well-wisher Clark. Best wishes for Buenos-Aires
Exhibition!
July 24, 1936.

My dearest Frances,

Although I have already in Russian written also about your letter of the 14th, but I wish to add once more that this letter has beaten all records arriving here on the 9th day, this is but six days longer than a DLT-cable. We were very glad to receive the well-deserved reviews of your book. Your news from Argentine is also significant, as well as the correct ratification of the Pact by Mexico. Beacons and vigil are needed everywhere. Your considerations about the Philadelphia group are also to the point, - we appreciate Stork's excellent intentions. Verily the episode with the young man who came from England is touching - I hope you will keep up contact with him and perhaps he will privately form the nucleus of a cultural group. You also rightly think about the philosophy. Indeed if such scientists as A. Carrel, Rhine, McDougall and many others can study psychic energies of thought, etc. - then why should others be deprived of this. Speaking about the archaeologist's reference to "tapping", he will soon prohibit altogether tapping-typing. You remember how Miss Louns-

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berry always spoke about "typed messages". Happily humanity is now already so far advanced that the transmission of thought does no longer received punishment on the stake. I am certain you appreciated my articles "Combating Ignorance" and "Signs of the Era." If you find you need more copies of "Combating Ignorance" we can send some more additional reprints from the "Twentieth Century". Ten were sent by boatmail on Tuesday.

Tampy has written another fine review for the "Feudatory and Zamindari India" - a widely circulated magazine despite its formidable name. We shall print a list of Bibliography which we shall send you and no doubt it will be useful for our defenders, when the ghastly attacks on philosophy, art and the whole existence will take place, - the hatred of the malefactor is such that at any moment one may expect missiles and explosives - both open and hidden. It is monstrous but up to now we still do not know of what we are being accused by the malicious trio. Have the publishers not delayed too long the matter of the newspaper slander? All aspects of this evil should enter into the case. Every letter from you already represents a page of that chronicle, which you compile. Do there exist minutes of the meetings of the defence committee - we would like to have these and respond to them.

Best wishes to all good friends in heart & spirit with you
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Aug. 3, 1936.

My dearest Frances,

Many thanks for your good news, in your letter of July 16th. Of course we have at once sent greeting to Mrs Atwater, including my article "Beautiful Unity". No doubt in the course of your next meetings you will see to what an extent she will be useful for the good cause. The letter from Mr. Schrack, of which you write, we have not received so far. In his previous letter he wrote of the possibility of publishing some magazine, but it is not clear whether this is feasible. Anyhow his attitude proved to be very friendly.

You will be shocked to read the excerpt from a letter, which we have just received from the Far East. Only to think what harmful slander emanates from an official place. We hope that our lawyers understand these subterranean machinations. If the malefactors are dreaming of what their henchmen are babbling, then how strange and out of place were the wishes of some people about the return. Nothing is as yet prepared for this, and therefore

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when the publishers will get to know about the recent formulae from the Far East, they will certainly understand how out of place is any idea of return, unless new circumstances take place. We readily picture to ourselves, how shocked you will be reading these Far-East rumours. What is the black hand, which directs all these machination on such a wide scope in Europe, Far East and everywhere?! Verily the cartoon which you sent with your letter is most prophetic. We hope that by the time this letter reaches you, there will also arrive the material for Boston. One can imagine in what paroxysm of madness and hatred are the malefactors after the injunction! And therefore a monolyte unity should exist amidst our forces - a farsighted vigil should be on all towers!

With heartiest wishes from us all, we send you thoughts of firmness and unity.

In heart and spirit with you

N.R.

Aug.10, 1936.

My dearest Frances,

As always your letter of July 22nd received yesterday contained many positive facts. Thus on our frontier^s of our army there have been four victories. Thank God, the lull has been replaced by action. Of course one can foresee what kind of new attacks are being manufactured by the enemy. The malefactors can create false witnesses^{es} for various slanderous whisperings. But if the malefactors will feel how united our front is, then all their malicious attempts will fall to pieces. By the way for me it is unclear whether there exists a written agreement with Plaut, otherwise some misunderstanding may grow up, spoiling our friendly relations. Experience has taught us how everything should be clear and firm. Your news about the Conference in Buenos Aires is most significant. Let us hope that till then even the blind ones will see.

Now you have already our material for Boston and adding to it the large material which you have on hand in New York you can plan the entire show. On the spot you will see

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better which portrait and what out material may be procured. We found it possible to print a List of Bibliography and this material both for the Boston Library and other libraries can be most useful. Perhaps the Boston Library has already some ideas whither to move this exhibition afterwards. We are sending you Mr. Tampy's review of your book from the New-Outlook. Although the author has a somewhat flowery style, his intentions are good. Apparently there was also a review in the "Modern Student" by Dr. Cousins, but we do not receive this magazine. If one mentally assembles the readers of the 18 magazines in which my articles are placed this amounts already to an auditorium of millions. Indeed we have many friends.

It is very touching to see also the self-activity of our Lithuanian Society, who started a magazine in Lithuanian "New Consciousness". You probably already received through Sina from the Latvian Society my book "Gates into the Future" in Russian. Their cooperative publishing company is most encouraging. We are confident that the great Unity of all coworkers in the U.S.A. will hasten the victory and thus will open new vistas. We are sending for your information the letter from Schrack. Did he tell you of his interview with Lev? Best wishes - in heart & spirit with you N.R.

Aug.14,1936.

My dearest Frances,

It is most significant that in their last folder the trio altogether omit the Museum, the School and the Press. Mime always involuntarily expresses his hidden thoughts. Thus also here the trio manifests its decision to annihilate all these three institutions. But once our defenders know about this they must take measures in order not to permit a new vandalism. Advices are given to the effect that special attacks will be launched against the Museum. They hope that by striking the center, they will the easier destroy everything. Thus be on sacred vigil!

Of course you remember H's article in the Westsider of February 1934 "Cultural Center Achievement of Prof.Roerich" which is full of superlatives. This article is of course a great asset for our defenders, as also are all H's other published addresses. What has taken place after 1934 that exactly after a year, in February of 1935, he steals all the shares and begins his satanic destructive activity. For every unprejudiced judge such evidences given by himself

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should be most striking and convincing. It is evident that around the Museum and the paintings there will take place the next attack. You were witness of the mysterious N.R. Paintings and Art Collections Corporation, which was started only for the safety of the paintings. In the reports and letters which we sent from here upon your request, there was much mentioning of this corporation and by the way in connection with Battle, (during the receivership). No other documents about this corporation are on file here. Undoubtedly you feel the necessity to start our Society with honest participants. Precisely such a public manifestation will be the voice of America's public opinion. About this public opinion many people from various countries are constantly asking. Some people got the erroneous impressions that what takes place is a struggle between two parties. They simply do not know that at the bottom of everything is the misappropriation of the shares and this of course has quite a definite name in criminology. We would like very much to have the Minutes of all the Meetings of our Defence Committee. For the history they are most necessary. Of course you understand what I mean, for the benefit of the whole case. We are sending you our best wishes for the forthcoming victories, in heart and spirit with you

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Dec. 21st 1936.

My dearest Frances,

Many thanks for the good news from Boston. Congratulations for your successful lecture. We all vividly visualize how excellent were also your lectures at the Theos.Soc. and Boston Art Club. It is of great interest to hear the plans about a future exhibition in Boston. Finally, where are better possibilities - in the Art Club or in the Library? Incidentally at the Art Club there is also the 15th anniversary of my honorary membership there. You are fully justified in your indignation at Levy's false testimonies. Such a distortion of Truth and such criminal machinations are abhorrent! What a president the national women's art council got! This fact alone is already of great public interest and it is also a great shame that the trio sends abroad their destructive slanders. By such doings they first of all throw a shadow on their own country, for the majority of people who receive these lies do not believe in them and only creates a disgusting feeling towards the place, from where these lies originated. Thus should one not take some more steps to counteract their evil doings. Perhaps it would be timely if you could approach Justice Hughes or someone of his Committee and

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in the name of the cultural and humanitarian cause ask their advice for otherwise on the records of history there would remain a ghastly error which sometime somewhere will bring deplorable effect even a national aspect. Of course such a step one should of course discuss accordingly first with advisors in order that such a step is taken timely and in the proper way for best results.

Up to now we cannot fully understand why the publishers did not at the time visit the representative and why my letter to the cousin could not have been transmitted? Our cause is so just that why could we not raise sincerely the facts as they are? It is deplorable to see that a pure cultural institution would be desecrated by malicious evil doers. Anyhow it would be interesting to hear the opinion of Gordon Battle. To him I wrote at the time most cordially and his statement was quoted in many editions and even on the jacket of "Fiery Stronghold".

It is amazing to see how in other countries our cultural activity is appreciated and on the ascent and only because of certain three individuals in one place malice is focussed. - We have just received from Riga a most touching address signed by 52 members adorned by a new coloured reproduction of my painting "Brahmaputra". Indeed from Brahmaputra to Horsch's lies - what a distance! Only by building up the constructive longer line of Birbal and in sacred unity can the Blessed Victory be achieved. E.I. and we all are sending to your Mother, brothers, sister and yourself our heartiest wishes. I often remember your touching telephone call from your Nephew to "Auntie Frances". In heart and spirit with your

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Dearest Frances,

Your confidential communication of Feb. 23rd 1937 is very interesting, and we fully understand why you write about it so cautiously. I fully agree with you that any participation from afar in such a group would be too difficult if not altogether impossible. At the same time one should in no way offend him, who communicated the news to you, for one should continue to be informed of what goes on. Please therefore in a kind way tell that such a leadership would demand personal presence, what is out of question at present.

For your own information I will add that the above-mentioned proves the fact of the urgency of the hour and shows how things are rapidly boiling. One could say much more in this connection but that has to be left for a personal meeting. Suffice it to say that many changes will take place. All letters which we receive clearly point out to this. Of course if it were not for the abhorrent affair with the trio, much would be simpler, but even if this complicates matters, the basic direction remains unchangeable. And there are many precious signs to this effect.

Please keep au courant in the matter you mentioned and let us know any news.

We all were delighted to hear about the successful reception which you had arranged for South Am. Such events constitute the true line of Birbal. All these years you have accumulated many useful contacts and all these seeds must now bring a beneficial crop.

Where are at present the photographs which we sent you from here for Boston? I believe they could be very useful to Mrs Gartner. How does the matter stand with the Defense Committee? On its first Meetings there was quite a number of friends. Apparently, if there were any further meetings, they were without Minutes and it may be that for the future this circumstance will be of importance. Without meetings enthusiasm can be lost. And at present every manifestation of cultural activity is the best reply to the apostates. Last year all friends were quite ready for a crusade for Culture. Now that apostates have revealed such arrogance and new abominable lies, the cultural defenders are especially needed.

Many many thanks for all your news. Unity is the panacea. E.I. and we all are sending to you, to your mother, sister and brother best wishes. In Spirit with you

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Our dearest Frances

Both your letters of Sept. 4th were deeply appreciated. Since you wrote to me confidentially, I shall speak to you from heart to heart. For us it would even be strange to imagine that I could hand over your work to anybody else. You know to what an extent the work of the Press always was and is in your care. If due to the abhorrent present circumstances the Press cannot be very active at the moment, we must remember that in every activity there are periods of ups and down, but after every winter there comes a summer. It is impossible even to presuppose that the undermining evil actions could destroy cultural work altogether. You are right in being indignant that the large hall is temporarily inaccessible. But I can say from the centenary history of the Society for Encouragement of Fine Arts that for ten years it existed in one room, then it reached five buildings filled with its various branches, and now it again emerged into a dormant state, but also this is only temporary, for you know from newspaper about the speedy process of events there. As regards "Flamma"

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this organization is a purely personal initiative of the three Fosdicks. If they did not speak to us earlier about it, I presume it was because they were uncertain whether the incorporation would officially pass. They were careful in order that the apostates in some way should not harm their plans. Thus we here only received the statutes with one of the last mails. Of course if our Society would have formed last year, then such private organizations may not have been as necessary, as they are now. But under the circumstances we must highly welcome every such activity which can call forth the voice of the public in defense of our institutions. All circumstances indicate that a public voice may soon be imperatively needed: there is the injunction to defend, the Museum to be protected from vandalism, and the School and Press to be fought for. You will understand what a cardinal unity is needed, and at this moment especially. Dearest Frances - there are only four of you - and as such you must stand adamant and square. Even in old battles, battalions in carré were always considered the most invincible.

The final approval of the translation of "Aum" we have directed to you because everything that concerns your work - should rest with you.

You will remember how long ago I suggested that you

enlist yourself in some press agency thus strengthening your position. Now that you write us that you participate in Zimmerman's trade magazine, we greatly rejoice at this, because a cultured hand everywhere gives its beneficial impulse. Indeed the line of Birbal may be extended into any direction always retaining its basic beneficial meaning. One continuously comes to hear from business circles that art and beauty are inevitable for the success of the industry. This means that such experienced and highly gifted art writers as you should certainly be welcomed also in every business. Remembering Zimmerman, I always recollect your nephew who in the evening rang up on the phone, asking for 'auntie Frances.' He is not doubt a big boy now and surely has retained his kindheartedness.

One may foresee that the Ref's decision will be adverse. His conduct during the entire proceedings proves this. Who knows whether he has been seduced by money, or has been ordered to do so - anyhow he has closed his eyes to justice. Thus he became a participant in the evil doings of the apostates. These evil doings by their consequences are far worse for themselves, than they shortsightedly overlook.

Their malicious machinations affects such wide spheres about which their narrow imagination does not even know how to ponder. Be this as it may, one must be on guard against new vandalism and destruction. The little episode with the inscription at the entrance shows that their dark hands are already stretched out.

Thus if our Society could not be incorporated then let at least private initiative grow and be active as the expression of public opinion. Let us welcome not only organizations but all good people who wish to defend justice. We are very glad at your mentioning the necessity to see Stokes and other friends oftener. This is precisely what is needed. Don't hesitate to visit Merritt even if he is busy. Remind Narodny about his invitation to Perk. Such episodes are most useful, because they reveal but the truth, which someone wishes to hide for his sinister purposes. Every your Literary Luncheon is an excellent manifestation of Birbal's line.

We greatly value all your letters, coming from the heart and if in every our letter we mention the word unity, this is the only panacea in such Crusades for for Culture as our present one. All your records are ungogettable historical annals. In heart and spirit with you -

For Miss Frances R. Grant
(sent on 24-Apr-1939)

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"Seals"

"Sacred Ashrams"

"Tactica Adversa"

"Gateways to the Future"

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"Influence"

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"The Ascent"

"Prophecies"

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With Author's Compliments.