



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

AMERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE

Karachi, India,

June 2, 1937.

Professor Nicholas de Roerich,
Naggar,
Kulu, Punjab, India.

Sir:

Your letter of May 22nd, addressed to Mr. Riggs, has been received here. Mr. Riggs is now in the Residency Nursing Home at Srinagar, Kashmir, recuperating from what appears to have been a nervous breakdown. A copy of your communication has been sent him there.

If a deposition must be made by Madame Roerich and the state of her health makes it inadvisable or impossible for her to come down into the plains, then it might be arranged for the deposition to be taken either by Mr. Riggs or myself at Naggar. However when travel is performed by a consular officer in connection with the execution of a commission to take testimony, his travel and per diem expenses are to be paid by the party at interest.

If This travel is necessary in the case mentioned in your letter under acknowledgment, ^{then} and you should have your attorneys in New York take the matter up with the State Department for issuance of instructions to me to have the necessary travel undertaken. It would probably be well for the attorneys in New York to be in possession of a medical certificate from a duly authorized physician stating that the present physical condition of Madame Roerich makes it impossible for her to come to Karachi, and stating specifically what the physical ailment is from which she is suffering that renders the necessary travel inadvisable or impossible.

Very respectfully yours,

C. E. Macy
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American Consul.

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Dear Dr. Roerich:

I have your note of the 7th June. I was under the impression we had acknowledged receipt of the books you so kindly sent us, but if so, the letter has apparently gone astray -

We enjoyed them greatly - Mrs. Macy liked your paintings especially - for their air of Oriental mysticism - while for my part I particularly liked "Trails of Central Asia". In spite of hardships, I should have ^{been} overjoyed to have been one of the party.

I hope you are well and that all goes well with you and yours - In the meantime - until our paths cross again -

Au revoir et bonne chance!

C. E. Macy