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May 15, 1939

Prof. Nicolas Roerich,
Naggar, Kulu,
Punjab, India.

My dear Prof. Roerich:

The Trustees of the Institute of Current World Affairs, an institution which Mr. Charles R. Crane founded some years ago, hope to make use of his manuscripts as a basis for publishing some sort of memorial volume. However, before anything is decided about publication, the Trustees are anxious to obtain further material. As I worked with Mr. Crane on his memoirs during the last four years I am now engaged in helping the Institute to assemble supplementary biographical material.

Since you were one of Mr. Crane's dearest and most intimate friends over a long period of time, I wonder whether you could give me some help in this important undertaking. We are most anxious to have copies of any interesting letters Mr. Crane may have written, and also any stories, reminiscences, anecdotes or impressions concerning him which you or others might be in a position to contribute. Mr. Crane was so deeply appreciative of your inspiring paintings and was so genuinely devoted to you and all your family that anything you could write would be of inestimable value.

If there is anything of this nature that you would care to send me, any account of Mr. Crane's relations with your own family, or his relations with Russia and Russians over the years, I should be most happy to receive it and you would have the deep appreciation not only of the Trustees of the Institute but the various members of the Crane family as well.

Sincerely yours,

Helene K. Power

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June 30, 1939

Prof. Nicolas Roerich,
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Punjab, British India.

My dear Prof. Roerich:

Thank you for your very welcome letter of June 14th. I am delighted to have the reprint of your tribute to Mr. Crane and it is exceedingly kind of you to offer additional material. I am sure that the Russian translation can be managed quite easily.

I note what you say about generously offering illustrations for a memorial volume. The Institute of Current World Affairs will duly consider this proposal at a later date and I shall let you know what their decision is.

Meanwhile, with grateful acknowledgement for your kind cooperation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Helmut K. Powell