

Rome,

12/11/56

~~28/10/1955~~

My dear Lama,

Thank you for your very frank and kind letter of December 23rd 1955; the points you raise certainly deserve both understanding and consideration, and we are quite aware of your positions and the demands of your family. On the other side, ours being a cultural institution, we cannot afford to pay higher wages than those offered to you, which amount of course to the same treatment extended to all our foreign collaborators. The amount of Rs. 150 - allowed to your family - would have to be considered as a help for getting along, not as a sole means of support. As you feel you cannot accept our conditions, we are compelled, with the deepest regret, to address ourselves to another person. This we have already done, as communicated to you by our wire, dated Dec. 23rd, 1955. We are sincerely distressed at the difficulties which have come in our way, but we see no other way than engaging at the soonest another Lama, without family, as we are already quite late with our work.

Please accept our sincere good wishes for the happy pursuit of your activities, and your happiness and welfare. With best regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

(Mariano Imperiali)

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