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TRANSLATION

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Senor Academico
F. Rodrigo de Lara
Presidente Executive of
"Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace" in Argentina
Buenos Aires

Admired and beloved friend:

I take pleasure in acknowledging receipt of your kind missive in which you ask if I would be willing to preside with some prominent Colombian personalities, whom I, myself, am to designate over a Colombian Committee of the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace Committee.

I have known for quite some time the wonderful works of Prof. Nicholas Roerich in the field of philosophy, fine arts and peace. He was truly an inspiring man endowed with a heart full of generosity and noble ideals.

Fortunately there appear frequently in this world full of calamities and unlimited (excessive) ambitions, men like Prof. Roerich that are true missionaries of goodness, of conciliation (peace making) and of love to fellow-men. His work, which is truly admirable, will shine for centuries to come.

With pleasure I accept the honoring appointment conferred upon my humble person to preside over the Colombian Committee of the Roerich Pact, and I shall be very happy to ask various of my renowned friends that they join me in forming said Committee.

Please send me all publications that you have on hand of the Roerich Pact and at once advise the Central American Committee of my decision to accept such honoring duty (charge).

I greet you cordially, and, as always, am at your unrestricted service

Your loyal friend and colleague

prof. Emirto De Lima