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My dear Professor Wimmer:

A new outpost of science - Urusvati, the Himalayan Research Institute of Roerich Museum - began activities this Spring. Research work will be carried on in all the natural and archaeological sciences, and it is hoped that the findings, which are to be published in a quarterly bulletin, will add a signal contribution to the world's fund of scientific knowledge.

Located at Naggar, Kulu, Northern Punjab, the Himalayan Research Institute has access to all of Central Asia - a territory most promising to scientific inquiry. Unique electric and magnetic forces are prevalent in the region, and the volcanic soil, abundant water and wide scope of climatic conditions have made possible extensive botanical plantations, particularly of medicinal herbs. The study and analysis of native pharmacopoeia, in the light of modern knowledge of botany, physiology and biochemistry, is also proposed.

The Institute is headed by Professor Nicholas Roerich, who is also its founder, and is under the direction of Dr. George Roerich, in association with a staff of specialists in all branches of science. Corresponding advisors of the Institute include, among others, Dr. Albert Einstein, Professor Robert A. Millikan, Dr. Ralph V.C. Magoffin, Dr. Edgar L. Hewett, Professor Albert A. Michelson, and Sir Jagadis Bose.

We enclose a booklet which gives further details concerning this institution, its aims and its program.

The Himalayan Research Institute is most anxious to be in close contact with the various other scientific institutions. We hope to have your cooperation in connection with our research work, and would deeply appreciate any advice which you might give us regarding the further

expansion of our activities. Should you wish to have additional information regarding any phase of our work, we will be very glad to give it to you, or to put you in touch with Dr. George Roerich, the director of the Institute.

Very sincerely yours,

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