

EXCERPT - Letter of Dr. C. C. Lozina

Dated Apr. 15, 1930

You already know that I take great interest in the development of the work of Roerich Museum as the spiritual forces are only real creative forces in the world and this must be understood by everybody and materialism must be fought in every occasion and in every direction. I have demonstrated in my book that even physical laws and properties can be explained by applying to physics the laws of spiritual nature. Being a physician, I am in an especially favorable position to study various psychic phenomena and I have outlined a plan of work in this direction. I am saying this in order to show you that my aims fully coincide with those of Roerich Museum in propagation and study of culture which is the moving principle of humanity. Much can be and should be done in this direction and I would be very sorry if my departure from Naggar will diminish the possibility of continuing my work in this field. In fact, I could be absorbed by private practice or accept a proposition to go to tropics in Africa. This would also delay my returning to Naggar if the visa for me will be granted upon the insistence of Professor Roerich in Dehli. That is why I have proposed to the Himalayan Research Institute a new temporary plan of scientific work along its lines outside of Naggar, of which you are already informed by Dr. G. Roerich. Though the chief interest of the Institute centres in Himalaya, the real practical value of medical researches will come forth only if we will be able to generalize our findings and adopt them to other countries. Thus, a study of the local medicine is pursued mainly in hope to find some new cures for diseases existing in Europe and in America; the physiology of mountainous regions practically is not changed with countries but with altitudes above sea level; goiter is similar in Himalaya, Switzerland or Ontario. The psychic phenomena should be looked for in any place. Therefore, I have proposed the plan to extend the work of the Institute to other countries instead of yielding to circumstances and interrupting it for indefinite time by my departure. There will not be a slightest increase in cost of the work; on the contrary, my wife with her energy, knowledge of languages, gift of speech (she lectured much in U. S. A. ) will help me actively in my researches and propaganda of Roerich Museum. A great deal could be done in the outlined direction in Europe, but the work needs a complete sacrifice of one's time and energy and requires an unprejudiced mind. Though the Roerich informed me that they have favorably considered my project, but they cannot take final decision without the Trustees. I conceive the aims of Roerich Museum in world-wide lines, where the scientific work should not be narrowed by a study of the Himalayan region exclusively. It must have a greater bearing, and probably I am right, as contrary to ordinary institutions, the enormous success of Roerich Museum is due to the fact that it was conceived in a large scale. I intend to bring under the attention of

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psychologists in Europe the data I have collected about psychic phenomena, but there is a great field for such studies in Europe itself. They were never properly studies by the medical profession, though recognized by it, because there are no leading principles on which the scientific theory could be based. I have outlined these principles in my philosophy and this fact, by the way, helped me to understand the condition of Mme. Roerich. I have also collected information about 100 medical plants of Thibet, but a medical specialist is especially needed for testing these plants in clinics and pharmaeological laboratories. Until the question of the further development of Him. R. Inst. in Naggar is completely settled, no such studies can be carried on in Naggar, and we should transfer our work to other countries for the time being, which have kindly consented to cooperate with us. You have asked my suggestion about a possible extension of the Institute. Under present conditions I think it could be extended only in the above mentioned lines, preparing the way for transferring the whole work to Naggar, which has certainly a great future. I will be proud to associate with it all the time and it is a great sacrifice for me to be now separated from it, thinking that I can be useful for it. I hope you will back my project sincerely inspired by the interest I take in Roerich's cultural work. I had a relief to hear from the Professor and Madame that they also desire me to stick to this movement and to see me as their intimate associate. This is a great comfort, especially because the bonds of a real friendship tie me to the whole staff in Naggar.

I would be glad to hear from you and believe me, that I appreciate very much your kind regards. Please write me on the address: C. C. Lozina, M. D. c/o American Express Co., 11 rue Scribe, Paris. My best regards to you and Mrs. Horch.

Yours very sincerely

Signed C. C. LOZINA