Ann Arbor, Michigan July 1, 1932

Roerich Museum 310 Riverside Drive New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I am writing you to state my position in reference to the litigation now pending in which you are the plaintiff and I am the defendant. In the action involving alleged slanderous statements on my part against the Museum or its personnel, I state to you as I have already stated to Mr. Hartman, my attorney, that I have not at any time made any statements intending to reflect upon the character, reputation or standing of the Museum, and the research work done by me while in its employ was wholly of a scientific character and was bone fide in every particular. As far as I personally know, the activities of the Museum have been bona fide and worthy of support.

Very truly yours

WALTER KOELZ (Signed)

From a cable from New-York, dated July 19th, 1932

"Botanist gives letters returning guns diary Stop Gives further assurance not to start competitive institution Stop Botanist already signed document saying: "I have not at any time made any statements intending to reflect upon the character, reputation or standing of the Museum and the research work, done by while in its employ, was wholly of a scientific character and was bonafide in every particular Stop As far as I personally know the activities of the Museum have been bonafide and worthy of support".