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May 14, 1932.

Director of the Roerich Museum
310 Riverside Drive,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I write to ask whether you would be willing to furnish me with the postal address of the Himalayan Research Institute in Tibet, and also whether you could indicate to me which member of the Expedition would be most interested and competent on the subject of Tibetan Law.

This Library has the ambition to represent on its shelves the materials of every legal system in the world. Almost the only one that is now not yet adequately represented (or indeed not represented at all) is Tibet. We have been searching for many years, and all that I have yet been able to find is the exact title in Tibetan script and translation of a book known as The Sixteen Laws. This was kindly furnished by Sir. Charles Bell some months ago, who is now in retirement in England.

It occurred to me that if I should send this facsimile photograph of the exact title and translation to some members of the Roerich Expedition while he is there he might be able to acquire a copy of the book, and perhaps of other books, either manuscript or printed, on Tibetan Law.

This Library would of course be prepared to pay the cost.

Very truly yours,

J. A. H. Wigmore

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May 20, 1932

Mr. John H. Wigmore
357 East Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Wigmore:

We were much interested to receive your inquiry of May 14th relative to Tibetan books or manuscripts on Law. We are forwarding your letter to Dr. Georges de Roerich, Director of this Institute, at our headquarters in Naggar, Kulu, Punjab, India, who we feel confident will be glad to communicate with you concerning this.

Very sincerely yours,

Vice-President