Mr. Freeland Abbot Tufts University Department of History Medford 55, Mass. U.S.A.

Dear Professor Abbot:

We would like to inform you that for twenty-two years there has existed in Mexico City a non-profit, private institution dedicated to higher education and to research work in the field of humanities and in some of the social sciences. Its name is El Colegio de México and it is directed by a group of well known personalities.

El Colegio de México has been publishing for thirteen years, besides i its teaching and research activities, a hispanic, literary and philological review and a historical one, for ten years. It intends now to iniciate a quarterly publication on international affairs.

This, of course, would be a periodical devoted to give to the Spanish-speaking readers, that is to say, to Spain and to the nineteen Latin-American countries, a notion of their own international problems and of those of the main nations or regions of the world. These problems are not only juridical, but political, economic, social and cultural as well.

The review would have an initial section dedicated to the publication of articles, of an average length of 4,500 to 9,000 words, in which a particular subject or theme, the presentation of which could be of international interest, would be dealt with. It would have a book-review section and another of documents, where those which could have a notable international repercussion would be reproduced.

El Colegio de México intends to pay the contributions it publishes: it offers a fee of 40 American dollars for an article, and from 10 to 20 dollars for a book-review, according to its extent. El Colegio does not pretend to acquire through these payments exclusive literary rights, that is to say, in all languages, but only in the Spanish language. In this manner, the authors who write in a language other than the Spanish, would be free to use those same articles for publications in reviews or periodicals in their own language. In the same manner, if you are planning to deliver an article or book-review for a journal of your own language, you may order a carbon copy of it to be sent to us for consideration.

El Colegão de México would like to invite you most heartily to send a contribution, perhaps on some of the topics you usually cover in your courses. We would like you to consider yourself a permanent collaborator of its periodical, so that you may send, wihtout further invitation, those articles and book-reviews that may come from your

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habitual work or activity, with the certainty that they will be most welcomed.

El Colegio de México would also appreciate very much if you could indicate to us the name and address of friends or colleagues of yours whom you consider liable to be interested in cooperating with us.

In the hope of hearing from you soon, we remain,

Sincerely yours

Daniel Cosio Villegas President

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Dear Mr. Abott:

I hope my secretary advised you in due time that I was not expected in Mexico from my trip to Europe untill early August. This is the reason I am answering so late your letter of June 27.

I could not even consider your kind invitation to lecture at Tufts next summer. On the other hand, I hardly may do any suggestions without knowing whether the course you have in mind will cover the whole of Mexican history of only a certain period and which one. Finally, let me say that is rather difficult to think of a Mexican historian able to lecture in English.

Yours cordially

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