

July 15, 1960.

Mr. Daniel J. Boorstein  
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Dear Professor Boorstein:

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 its teaching and research activities, a hispanic, literary and philological review and a historical one, for ten years. It intends now to initiate 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 Colegio 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, without 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 Cosío Villegas  
President

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President Daniel Cosío Villegas  
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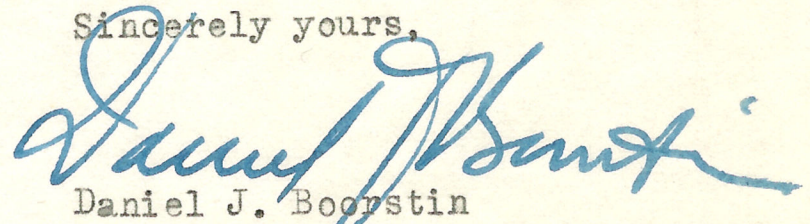
Dear President Villegas:

Many thanks for your letter of July 15 with the information about your new quarterly publication on international affairs. I am glad to know of your plans and will keep you in mind in the event that I have anything which would be suited to your purpose in the future.

At the present time the only item which occurs to me which might be of particular interest to your readers is an article of mine on Puerto Rico and the United States which first appeared under the title "Self-Discovery in Puerto Rico" in the Yale Review for winter, 1956 (Volume 45, pages 29-45). This article, in a slightly revised and up-dated form, was printed in a recent collection of my essays entitled America and the Image of Europe (Meridian Books, 1960). In that volume the revised article is given the title "Paths to National Self-Discovery: U.S.A. and Puerto Rico" and appears as chapter 7 of the volume, pp. 141-167. The article has stirred some interest in this country and it is just conceivable that you might find it of interest to your Spanish and Latin-American readers. The article has not until now appeared in Spanish, except for some translations in a daily Puerto Rican newspaper. But the article is not available in Spanish as you would be able to make it by its appearance in your journal. If you would be interested I think I could secure for you the Spanish rights in the event you desire to translate it for your journal. Under separate cover I am sending you, with my compliments, a copy of the paperback edition of the little volume America and the Image of Europe so that you may see if ~~that essay~~ would be useful for your purposes.

Thank you for writing me. Please let me know if I can be helpful in the future. I think that there is not nearly enough communication among scholars and writers in this hemisphere.

Sincerely yours,

  
Daniel J. Boorstin  
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P.S. Kindly note the correct spelling of my name, which appears at the bottom of this letter. Thank you.

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July 27, 1960.

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Dear Professor Boorstin:

Thanks you very much for your good letter of  
July 22nd.

As soon as I get the copy of your America and  
the Image of Europe, I shall read its chapter  
VII, and will communicate with you again.

Sincerely yours

Daniel Cosío Villegas

PS.- I am sending you under separate cover  
a copy of the first issue of our journal.