



Sherman, Texas - founded 1849

November 13, 1967

Dr. Daniel Cosío Villegas  
El Colegio de México  
México, D. F.

Dear Dr. Cosío Villegas:

Austin College will offer a course in contemporary Mexico in January, 1968. Approximately thirty students and two instructors will travel to Mexico City where the course will be conducted. During the four weeks, we will consider four topics, which we feel will give the students a feeling of Mexico today: politics, religion, economics, and domestic life. I will direct the course, discussing the various topics in lectures, then taking the students on guided tours of the city and surrounding areas to illustrate the various topics under consideration. As a culminating activity in each study, we hope to have a Mexican authority on the subject deliver a lecture, conduct a discussion, etc. so the students will get more than our opinions. They will get, we hope, the reasoned conclusions of an expert and a Mexican.

We would be extremely honored if you could deliver an hour lecture to our group, to help climax the first week's activity, ✓ on "The Status of the Revolution Today," or some similar topic of your choosing. ✓ We would be delighted to have you speak to us, whether during the first two weeks of January, of during the latter part of the month if your schedule does not permit such an appointment early. Of course, there will be a small honorarium.

We certainly understand that you may be previously engaged and not able to speak to us. If this is the case, could you recommend one of your colleagues who might be able to aid us. First, however, the invitation is extended to you. We have students from both Texas and Florida schools in our group--students who are very interested in Mexico today, and I will appreciate any help that you can give me in making their month's stay in Mexico as profitable as possible.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ronnie C. Tyler  
Instructor in History

México, D.F., December 27, 1967.

Mr. Ronnie C. Tyler  
Austin College  
Sherman, Texas  
U.S.A.

Dear Professor Tyler;

I am extremely sorry to say that your good letter of November 13 just reaches me because it was sent to "El Colegio de México" (with no specific address), an institution I retired from five years ago. It certainly was not forwarded to my own office before November 27, the day I initiated a trip to Europe from which I have just returned.

So, I am afraid that whatever I may say at this junction will be out of date. In any case, I would like to say that I could not accept your flattering invitation to address your group of students, and that if you have made no other arrangements, I may try to have some of my colleagues to do it.

If that is the case, will you call me to this phone: 18-68-00 as soon as you reach Mexico City? My office is on the 31st floor of La Torre Latinoamericana building.

Sincerely yours

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February 2, 1968

Dr. Daniel Cosío Villegas  
Apartado Postal M-2123  
México 1, D. F.

Dear Dr. Cosío:

Thank you very much for your kind reply to my letter of November 13, 1967. I appreciate very much your offer to get some of your colleagues to lecture to my group while we were in Mexico City, but I did not receive the letter in time to contact you. I am very sorry about this, for I am sure that they would have had much to contribute to our program.

As it was, however, it was a great success. I enjoyed it as did the students, and we all learned a great deal. I am sorry too that I did not have the opportunity to meet you while I was in Mexico.

Thanks once again for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ronnie C. Tyler  
Instructor in History