

July 3, 1974

Memorandum re: Conference on Contemporary Dilemmas of the
Mexican-United States Border



Broadly, the purpose of the Conference is to examine the specific nature of the society along the border between Mexico and the United States. To accomplish this basic purpose, seven analytical categories have been chosen as focal points and are described below.

I The Culture of the Border

It is assumed here that adjacent to the 2,000-mile stretch of border from California to Texas there is an indigenous cultural mix that has not received as full a critical interpretation as it deserves. In the discussion of this border culture one should examine the problems of education and acculturation facing migrant and non-migrant groups, the presence of a Mexican and Chicano heritage and its influence upon art forms and crafts native to the border, the influence of the Norteno and the Indian, the pervasive influence of Anglo-American culture and economics. It would be of interest to look at the language and patois of the border as a manifestation of its culture and to bring into the discussion a historiography of the border and the Borderlands' School. This heading should not be interpreted narrowly, but should serve as a setting or backdrop for the Conference's subsequent discussions, and the participants preparing this first section should feel free to discuss, for example, the political culture of the border and the role of the churches.



II The Economics of the Border

In the past twenty years or so, various points along the border have become magnets attracting people, capital, and the establishment of diverse business operations. Although the border is a physical and political fact, it has not inhibited the development and growth of what may properly be construed as a special economic system. Working within the context of this system of border economics, one might examine the effect of tourism, the development of twin cities and the "twin plant" business operation, Mexicans' bank deposits on the United States side and the United States citizens' deposits on the Mexican side, the impact of federal government spending and the presence of United States military bases.

III The Migrants of the Border

Although this subject might be limited in discussion to the movement of illegal entrants (wetbacks) into the United States, it should not be restricted to the presentation and interpretation of demographic data or a recitation of the various laws that have sought to control the entry of a labor force, whether wetback or bracero. The concern under this section, it would seem, should center upon the movement, the settlement, and the special social arrangements that the migrant peoples have contrived for their survival, and the problems which their presence poses to other social groups of Anglo extraction, and to their governmental and legal representatives.

IV The Politics of the Border

Technically the border divides two sets of states: the nation-states of Mexico and the United States, and the individual states which face each other across it. This section of the Conference should examine the border's political culture and formal and informal political arrangements on both levels that have emerged over the past thirty or fifty years. The matter of whether the border is relatively open or relatively closed should be raised and, for example, the effect of one or another type of border upon the Mexican Revolution, the stability of the PRI, political constituencies in the Republican and Democratic parties and the appearance of new political groupings native to the border region should be noted.

V The Health of the Border

If one assumes by looking back upon the previous headings and forward to "The Ecology of the Border" that we are dealing with a special region, then we may properly assume that there are health problems endemic to the border. These, therefore, should be spelled out along with the attitudes toward them, the treatment given them, the availability and delivery of health services, and the adequacy of professional care and attention.

VI The Individual and Social Psychology of the Border Population

An analysis of the individual and social psychology that characterizes the border population.

VII The Ecology of the Border

Because of the physical artificiality of the border line and its great length, it is impossible to speak of a uniform ecology along it. There may, however, be distinct physical sections describable in an ecological inventory of the border and there are doubtless persistent problems regarding the exploitation of natural resources, settlement, land use, water rights, and other matters. Also of interest would be the recent rise of conservation groups whose purpose is to protect the natural environment in Mexico and the United States and the degree of attention and advocacy they have devoted to the ecology of the border.

PRELIMINARY LISTING
WEATHERHEAD FOUNDATION CONFERENCE

Contemporary Dilemmas of the Mexican-United States Border

Session	Essayists	Commentator
I Culture of the Border Morning - April 15	Américo Paredes Carlos Monsiváis	Josefina Vázquez de Knauth
Luncheon Speaker: Cultural Roots of the Border	Miguel León-Portilla	
II Economics of the Border Afternoon - April 15	Víctor Urquidí Ray Marshall	Eliseo Mendoza Berrueto
III Migrants Morning - April 16	Jorge Bustamante To be confirmed	Arthur Rubel
Luncheon Speaker: Political Significance of the Border	Daniel Cosío Villegas	
IV Politics of the Border Afternoon - April 16	Antonio Ugalde Armando Gutiérrez	To be confirmed
V Health Morning - April 17	Ricardo Loewe Charles Teller	To be confirmed
Luncheon Speaker: Individual and Social Psychology of the Border Population	To be confirmed	
VI The Individual and Social Psychology of the Border Population Afternoon - April 17	Rogelio Díaz Guerrero Wayne Holtzman	To be confirmed
VII Ecology of the Border Morning - April 17	Alberto Villasana Arthur Busch	Humberto Bravo
Luncheon Speaker: Foreign Policy Aspects of the Border	Tad Szulc	

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Four Hundred Twenty Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10017

July 8, 1974

Sr. Lic. Daniel Cosío Villegas
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Estimado Señor:

The Weatherhead Foundation is pleased to invite you to participate in the Conference on "Contemporary Dilemmas of the Mexican-United States Border." We plan to hold the Conference in San Antonio, Texas, beginning on the afternoon of Monday, 14 April 1975 and ending on Friday afternoon, 18 April 1975. The Conference is to be chaired by Professor Stanley R. Ross, Vice President and Provost of the University of Texas at Austin. Dr. Ross joins me in issuing this invitation and we would both be honored by your participation.

As you may know, the Weatherhead Foundation has had a continuing interest in the problems of the Southwest. The Conference on the Border will be the Foundation's third conference on some aspect of the society and culture of this region. The Foundation plans to publish a book containing the original essays that will be prepared specifically for the Border Conference. The proceedings of previous conferences are Plural Society in the Southwest (1972) and Economic and Educational Perspectives of the Mexican American, to be published soon.

Let us now describe the nature of the Border Conference and your specific role as we have planned it. We have selected seven topics under the general heading of "Dilemmas of the Border." They are: The Popular Culture of the Border, The Economic Systems of the Border, Migrants of the Border, The Politics of the Border, The Health of the Border, The Psychological Character of the Border Population, and The Ecology of the Border. In addition, there will be four luncheon addresses on significant general themes related to the Border. A short statement describing the Conference is attached, as well as a tentative list of the other participants who have been invited to attend.

There will be three groups of participants in the Conference: 1) essayists and luncheon speakers; 2) commentators; and 3) discussants.

We would like to have you participate as an essayist and address yourself to the subject of the political significance of the border. You may want to give your talk an historical focus and even bring into play international relations relating to the border. This would be a luncheon address on the second full day of the Conference (April 16). While your address would be shorter, the written paper could be 30-35 pages, similar to the allowance given to those participating in the specific sessions.

We envisage an attendance of some 35 invited participants and five people from the Foundation. Some observers may also be invited to attend.

For the preparation of an original publishable essay of about 35 manuscript pages and your participation in the four days of the Conference, the Foundation is pleased to offer you an honorarium of \$1,000. The cost of your transportation (economy class), to and from San Antonio, will be reimbursed. Lodging at the St. Anthony Hotel and a \$60 meal allowance for breakfast and dinner for four days will be provided by the Foundation. The Foundation will also provide luncheons as a part of the Conference program. If you intend to bring your wife, she is most cordially invited to join us at these lunches as our guest.

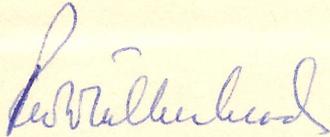
As we have indicated, your essay will become part of a Foundation publication and therefore, upon your agreement to participate in the Conference and your acceptance of the honorarium, the Foundation would retain the copyright and all publishing rights. The submission date for this essay is 15 March 1975 and it should be sent to Dr. Stanley R. Ross, Room 201 Main Building, University of Texas, Austin, Texas 78712. All of the essays will be circulated to the other essayists, commentators and discussants prior to the Conference. Your essay may be submitted in either English or Spanish. However, publication will be in English. Accordingly, if you plan to submit and present your essay in Spanish, you may wish to provide us with your own English version of the text. Each luncheon speaker will be asked to present an oral summary of his essay of about 30 to 40 minutes.

The Foundation's office in New York and Dr. Ross's office in Austin will be keeping you informed from time to time regarding the progress of the Conference. ✓ Would you please send your acceptance to the Foundation's office and then be kind enough to have subsequent communications with Stanley Ross, the Chairman and Coordinator of the Conference. ✓ Naturally, if you have any question on which the Foundation can be helpful, we would be pleased to respond.

As a matter of general information, we are enclosing a copy of the 1972 Annual Report of the Foundation. When the report for 1973 is ready, we shall mail it to you also.

Because of the importance of the subject matter of the Conference, and your recognized competence and leadership in your field, we are especially desirous of your participation and will indeed be honored by your acceptance.

Sincerely yours,



Richard W. Weatherhead
President



Stanley R. Ross
Conference Chairman

P.S.: It would be most helpful if you would provide Dr. Ross with the specific title of your essay as soon as you have decided on it, along with a brief vita and a glossy photograph (suitable for reproduction) which could be used for publicity purposes and for possible inclusion in the volume.

México, D.F., July 31st, 1974.

Mr. Richard Weatherhead
President
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Dear Mr. Weatherhead:

First of all, allow me to explain that Professor Stanley R. Ross phoned me from Austin some time ago to invite me to attend the conference your Foundation was preparing. As it happens with telephone conversations, Professor Ross gave very few details: topic assigned to me, place and time of the meeting. I gave gladly my acceptance considering the time allowed to prepare the paper, but above all that I had worked the subject of political problems at the border while preparing my Modern History of Mexico.

I see now in your Memorandum that you rightly ask much more than I had anticipated, for to present an acceptable paper would require a good deal of new, original research, and even visiting at least part of the border to consult local archives and interview local people participating in politics. This will require, in short, much more time and effort than I can spare during the next months.

Allow me, then, to decline an invitation that certainly honors me.

With the very best wishes for the success of your noble enterprise,

Yours sincerely

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MEMORANDUM

Conference
on
CONTEMPORARY DILEMMAS OF THE MEXICAN-UNITED STATES BORDER

Dr. Stanley R. Ross, Conference Chairman

St. Anthony Hotel
April 14 to 18, 1975

Sponsored by The Weatherhead Foundation

The following information is provided for your convenience:

Opening Reception and Buffet Dinner

On Monday evening, April 14th, at 7:30, the Foundation is holding a reception and buffet dinner to which you are cordially invited. It will take place in the Anacacho Room.

Luncheons

The four luncheons (on April 15th, 16th, 17th and 18th) are an integral part of the Conference. If your wife is accompanying you, she is welcome to attend these luncheons as our guest. Please plan to be in the Cavalier Room by 12:30 p.m. Lunch will be served promptly at 1:00 o'clock.

Conference Sessions

The morning sessions, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and the afternoon sessions, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., will take place in the Navarro Room. A place card with your name will indicate where you will be seated at each session.

Breakfast and Other Dinner Expenses

The \$60 Foundation check is intended to cover breakfast and dinner expenses during your stay in San Antonio (except for the April 14th dinner at which you and your wife, if she is with you, will be guests of the Foundation). We have made arrangements with the Hotel for this check to be cashed at the cashier's window at the front desk.

Room Charges

The Foundation will pay for your lodging (and your wife's, if she accompanies you) in the room assigned to you. Any incidental expenses, such as telephone, laundry and refreshments, are to be paid by you personally. At the end of the

Conference, when you are checking out at the cashier's window at the front desk, you will have to sign the bill for your daily lodging and it will be forwarded by the Hotel to the Foundation for payment. All other charges on the bill are to be paid by you directly to the Hotel.

Hotel Contact

If there are any questions regarding your stay at the St. Anthony Hotel, please contact Ms. Janelle D. Specia, the Hotel's Sales Manager.

Check-Out Time

Check-out time for conferees is no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 18th.

Hotel Reservations for the Fiesta San Antonio

If you are planning to be in San Antonio for the Annual Fiesta which begins on Saturday, April 19th, and you would like to stay on at the St. Anthony, we suggest you make your own arrangements with the Hotel as soon as possible.

Conference Program and Participants

The Conference program is also enclosed, with a list of the participants, their organizational affiliations, and addresses.

Name Card

A card with your name on it is attached. Wearing it will enable other conferees to identify you and will facilitate your entry into the Conference sessions.

Translation

Professor Miguel González-Gerth will serve as translator, when needed, at all of the Conference sessions.

Honorarium

The honorarium for your participation in the Conference and the presentation of a paper will be sent to you from the Foundation's New York office after the conclusion of the Conference.

Reimbursement for Transportation

The Foundation will reimburse you for your round trip, economy class, transportation to and from the Conference. Please be sure to retain your passenger coupon or receipt from airline, train or bus, to send to the Foundation's office in New York for payment. A travel voucher, to which such receipts should be attached, is enclosed.

Conference Information

An information desk has been set up in the lobby for your convenience. Representatives of the Foundation and Dr. Ross' office will be pleased to be of assistance to you.

Occasional Paper

We are pleased to enclose a copy of a recent Foundation Occasional Paper with essays by Miguel León-Portilla and Edward H. Spicer, which we think you will find of interest.

Sightseeing

The San Antonio Convention Center, which will have a representative at the Hotel, has graciously provided material about sightseeing tours and places of interest in the city.

For United States citizens only:

According to Internal Revenue Service regulations, all persons receiving dividends, interest or other payments (e.g., honoraria) must furnish an identifying number to payer. Would you please fill out the attached form, #3435, and return it to the Foundation at your earliest convenience.

The Weatherhead Foundation

Conference
on

CONTEMPORARY DILEMMAS OF THE
MEXICAN-UNITED STATES BORDER

April 14 - 18, 1975

Dr. Stanley R. Ross, Chairman

Monday, April 14

7:30

Anacacho Room

Opening reception and buffet dinner

Session

Essayists and Commentators

Tuesday, April 15

Culture of the Border

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Navarro Room

Américo Paredes

Carlos Monsiváis

Josefina Vázquez de Knauth

Luncheon

12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Cavalier Room

Ignacio Bernal

"Cultural Roots of the Border"

Economics of the Border

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Navarro Room

Víctor Urquidí

Ray Marshall

Eliseo Mendoza Berrueto

Wednesday, April 16

Migrants

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Jorge Bustamante

Vernon M. Briggs, Jr.

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Luncheon

12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Cavalier Room

Daniel Cosío Villegas

"Political Significance of the Border"

Wednesday, April 16

Politics of the Border
3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Navarro Room

Antonio Ugalde
Armando Gutiérrez

Rudolph Gomez

Thursday, April 17

Health
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Navarro Room

Ricardo Loewe
Charles Teller

Robert Oseasohn

Luncheon
12:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Cavalier Room

Joe B. Frantz
"Historiography of the Borderlands"

Individual and Social
Psychology of the
Border Population
3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Navarro Room

Rogelio Díaz-Guerrero
Wayne Holtzman

Manuel Ramirez III

Friday, April 18

Ecology of the Border
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Navarro Room

J. Alberto Villasana Lyon
Arthur W. Busch

Humberto Bravo

Luncheon
12:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Cavalier Room

Tad Szulc
"Foreign Policy Aspects of the Border"

Discussants: David Alvirez
Nettie Lee Benson
Arthur F. Corwin
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CONTEMPORARY DILEMMAS OF THE
MEXICAN-UNITED STATES BORDER

April 14 - 18, 1975

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April 14, 1975

Estimado amigo:

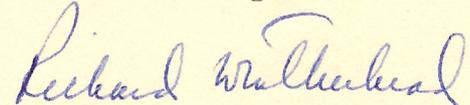
Stanley Ross and I are delighted to welcome you to San Antonio and to have you participate in this four-day Conference on the Contemporary Dilemmas of the Mexican-United States Border.

I am attaching a Foundation check in the amount of \$60.00 to defray breakfast and dinner expenses during your stay. This evening, there will be a reception and buffet dinner in the Anacacho Room, and each day of the Conference, the Foundation will be pleased to have you as our guest at a luncheon in the Cavalier Room. In addition to the check, you will find a Memorandum with details about the Conference and sightseeing information.

If we can be of further help to you, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

With best wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,



Richard W. Weatherhead
President

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México, D.F., abril 23, 1975.

Dr. Richard Weatherhead
The Weatherhead Foundation
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Distinguido amigo:

Unas cuantas líneas apresuradas, de regreso en mi oficina, para renovarle a usted nuestro agradecimiento por las múltiples atenciones de que fuimos objeto en la reciente reunión de San Antonio.

Asimismo, expresarle mis mejores deseos de siempre.

Suyo,

Daniel Cosío Villegas
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Estimado amigo:

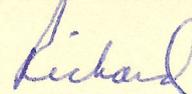
I want to express my gratitude for your participation in the Conference on Contemporary Dilemmas of the Mexico-United States Border. I know that Stanley Ross shares my feelings about the value of your role and the worthwhileness of the Conference.

I am pleased to enclose a Foundation check in the amount of \$1,000.00 representing the honorarium for your luncheon address. Stanley Ross and I hope very much that you will be able to prepare an essay on "The Political Significance of the Border" or on your other intriguing topic on it, "Our Border: Knowledge and Ignorance." I know that Stanley has discussed this with you but I should like to urge you personally to prepare such a valuable contribution for the forthcoming book. It is our hope that the manuscript containing the Conference papers will be ready for the publisher by the end of this year.

I enjoyed very much the experience of the Conference and being in the company of you and your wife during its sessions.

With best wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,



Richard W. Weatherhead
President

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cc: Stanley R. Ross

México, D.F., mayo 9, 1975.

Dr. Richard W. Weatherhead
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Querido amigo Weatherhead:

Espero que haya usted recibido ya unas líneas que le puse en cuanto regresé a México en que le expresaba el agradecimiento de mi mujer y el mio propio por las atenciones de que fuimos objeto de parte de usted y todos los dirigentes de la Reunión de San Antonio.

Ahora contesto su carta de abril 24, en primer lugar para devolverle a usted su cheque por 1,000 dólares, pues este honorario estaba destinado a un trabajo que no presenté. Con Stanley Ross hablé de que dentro de un mes, después de que mida yo los compromisos más urgentes, estaré en condiciones de comprometerme o no a escribir el trabajo sobre el tema de la significación política de la frontera. Llegado el momento, por supuesto, le enviaré a usted una copia de mi respuesta final.

Entre tanto, con mis mejores deseos de siempre,
suyo, amigo.

Daniel Cosío Villegas
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México, D.F., julio 7, 1975.

Dr. Richard W. Weatherhead
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Querido amigo Weatherhead:

Le escribo a usted muy preocupado, pues una larga y amarga experiencia me ha demostrado que el estado del correo, lo mismo el mexicano que el de Estados Unidos, suele crear una serie de malos entendimientos, de los que debe uno defenderse.

En respuesta a su carta de abril 24, le contesté a usted con fecha 9 de mayo diciéndole que no deseaba yo recibir los mil dólares como pago de un trabajo que no presenté o hice para la reunión de San Antonio, y que, en consecuencia, le devolvía a usted el cheque correspondiente. Pues bien, han pasado casi dos meses sin tener yo el acuse de recibo de usted, no tanto de mi carta cuanto por el cheque que yo le devolví. Le ruego, pues, ponerme unas líneas para mi tranquilidad.

Le envié a usted hace un poco más de un mes un ejemplar de mi último libro La Sucesión Presidencial, que espero haya recibido usted.

Con mis mejores deseos de siempre, suyo,

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

THE
WEATHERHEAD
FOUNDATION

Four Hundred Twenty Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10017

July 23, 1975

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

Querido amigo:

I am very sorry that I have not written you sooner. I have been away in Europe for most of the past two months and therefore I was not able to attend to a number of matters directed to my personal attention. I cannot speak for the Mexican mail system but I do know that ours is mercurial and ramshackle. Nevertheless, I did receive the check for \$1,000 that you sent. I still hope that you will find it possible to write an interpretative piece on the significance of the Mexican-United States border. Such an essay, in my opinion, should be suggestive, leading to more specialized study, rather than an essay requiring extensive research.

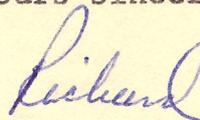
I am enclosing a travel voucher for you to fill in. In reviewing this aspect of the Border Conference files, I notice that you did not submit a statement of your expenses in order for us to reimburse you.

I did receive a copy of your recent book, La Sucesión Presidencial, and I am most grateful for your thoughtfulness in sending it. I have not read it yet but look forward to the enjoyment of that illumination.

Under separate cover I am sending you a copy of Mexican-Americans Tomorrow, the result of the Foundation's second conference in its Southwest program.

With warm best wishes to you and Senora Cosío, I am

Yours sincerely,



Richard W. Weatherhead
President

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cc: Stanley R. Ross

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AIR MAIL

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Four Hundred Twenty Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y. 10017

July 30, 1975

Lic. Daniel Cosío Villegas
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México 1, D.F.

Estimado amigo:

Yesterday I spoke with Stanley Ross about your having returned the honorarium of \$1,000 because you felt it was not possible for you to accept it, since you had not prepared a paper for the Conference. Both Stanley and I agreed, however, that you should receive an honorarium because of your participation in the Conference sessions. Accordingly, I am pleased to enclose a check in the amount of \$500.00, and with it, my thanks for your cooperation and contributions to the Conference.

With best personal regards, I am

Yours sincerely,



Richard W. Weatherhead
President

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encl.

cc: Stanley R. Ross

México, D.F., agosto 7, 1975.

Sr. Richard W. Weatherhead
President
The Weatherhead Foundation
420 Lexington Avenue
Nueva York, N.Y. 10017
E.U.A.

Querido amigo Weatherhead:

For su carta del 23 me entero de que recibió usted el cheque de mil dólares que me había enviado antes.

No vale la pena que le llene a usted los datos sobre gastos que hice en mi viaje, pues están hechos, y como dice el indio mexicano "lo caído, caído".

Con mis mejores deseos, suyo,

Daniel Cosío Villegas
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México 1, D.F.

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México, D F., agosto 18, 1975.

Sr. Richard W. Weatherhead
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The Weatherhead Foundation
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Querido amigo Weatherhead:

Contesto su carta de julio 30, que me llegó según costumbre establecida, bastante más tarde de lo debido.

Nuestro poeta Carlos Pellicer ha dicho más de una vez que en el fondo de cada mexicano yace un tirano, que de pronto se levanta para comportarse tiránicamente. Ahora veo que usted mismo y nuestro amigo Ross llevaban oculto ese demonio tiránico, y que se ha incorporado para imponerme la aceptación del cheque que usted me envió con su carta de julio 30.

Con mis mejores deseos, suyo,

Daniel Cosío Villegas
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