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Querida y admirada amiga;

It was a great joy to have your beautiful letter, so full of understanding, friendship and sympathy. You are much too appreciative in your evaluation of my life, and my duties, and generous in your thought of my own work. That, alas! has suffered in the past months because my son has been quite ill, and I have been anxious about him.

I realize the difficulties of your life in California, and only hope that you are comfortable now, and can find some peace of mind for your work. I am sure there will continue to be an enormous mail for you to answer from all over the world as well as only Chile.

Aquilers has at last returned to Washington and we have read your letter together and are very happy that you are satisfied with my literary and financial report on the publishing house of Farrar, Straus and Company. In view of this, I shall be very glad to suggest to them that they communicate directly to you. If before answering them there are any questions or any additional information I can get for you, please do not hesitate to ask me. I am sure they are anxious to do everything as you wish it and to the best of your economic advantage.

Aquilera and I have discussed the matter of the other translators. There are four who would be particularly felicitous. One is of course Muna Lee; another the Irish poet, Dennis Devlin, who has just published a much-praised new book of poems - "Lough Dergh," and has done successfully two long poems of St. J. Perse (our friend Alexis Leger); and H. R. Hays (who did a beautiful English version of "Beber").

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