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Rev. Alexander Wyse
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My dear Reverend Wyse:

A thousand apologies for not having answered your letter of October 6th. I was in Mexico City when the letter arrived in Veracruz -- and unfortunately Miss Mistral's secretary misplaced it -- and it was unearthed only a short time ago.

I am very glad to tell you that Miss Mistral's plans have now materialized, and I can give you more exact details. It has been very difficult to arrange her itinerary, since because of her bad heart, she has to avoid all high altitudes. But at last it seems that the solution has presented itself.

She will leave at the end of this week on a boat that will take her to Tampico. The exact date of the sailing is still unscheduled. From Tampico, I will drive her in my automobile to Brownsville, Houston, and on to Washington. God willing, we should arrive in Washington the 9th or 10th of December. I promise to keep you advised along the way.

This plan avoids all high altitudes for her, and gives her the opportunity to stop and rest whenever she tires.

Regarding Miss Mistral's stay in Washington, she would appreciate it very much if you could reserve for us a room in a hotel that would be a little outside of the noise and confusion of the city. As soon as we are on our way, and it is possible to judge more accurately the exact date of arrival, I will let you know.

The government of Chile is sending Miss Mistral on to Italy to act as Consul in Naples. For that reason, she probably will not be able to stay in Washington except for a very short time.

My most profound thanks, dear Reverend Wyse, for all your gracious kindness. This beautiful tribute that you are to give to Gabriela, with such high spiritual ideals, moves me very very deeply. And it is all the more fitting at this time of the world, so riddled with fears and stream with all the rubble of false idols.

With all my kindest wishes and my profound esteem, I am

Most sincerely yours,

Doris Dana

Since it will be impossible to communicate with us during the journey, I suggest you mail any correspondence to Gabriela or to me c/o General Delivery, Houston, Texas.

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