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My dear Alfredo Lefebvre:

Thank you for your very kind letter of April 8th, which I have only recently received on my return from a stay in London.

Needless to say, I would have a very great interest in holding a seminar at the University of Concepcion on the unpublished works of Gabriela Mistral. I am very grateful to the Rector of the University, and to you especially for the invitation.

Our problem will be when and how to bring about my next visit to Chile. The cultural trips for the State Department depend upon funds available for these purposes both in Washington and in the Embassy.

May I suggest that the University write to the United States Ambassador, Ralph Dungan, indicating the length of time you would want for the seminar, and suggest that be correlated with other cultural programs which are pending in Chile. I would appreciate it if you would send me a copy of your letter to Ambassador Dungan, so that I might show it to those in charge of these programs in Washington.

If it is not possible to bring this about through the State Department, I am sure there are other ways perhaps through Chilean auspices. On my next visit to Washington, I will discuss this with Radomiro Tomic.

I was delighted recently with a visit from your friend Antonio Fernandez, and I am looking forward to seeing more of him, our conversation made me all the more nostalgic for Chile.

I want to know the months that would be most convenient for the University to give such a seminar. During the next several months, I shall be hard at work here in Pound Ridge translating into English a volume of Gabriela's work.

Please give my warmest greetings to the Rector of the University, and to our good friend Gaston Von Dem Bussche, and to you for your very kind interest.

So fiel amiga,

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