AIRMAIL April 5, 1955

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My dear Mr. Gollancz:

We have quoted with much interest your comments on "Mother and Child" and have hoped to get in contact with you long before this.

Our first edition is largely out and we have a second edition on hand. The United States Information Agency requested The Dorr Foundation to give them 150 copies which they have done. On their request to know how many additional copies might be had if they found a real demand for them, we advised them they could count on up to 1, 000.

We have not done anything regarding distribution in England or on the Continent. I have no knowledge at this time as to the cost of exporting from New York to England, but if you think they can be marketed in London to advantage, we could ship some on consignment.

I am enclosing herewith some comments by others on the book, together with copies of a story about Mrs. Dorr published in the photographic journal and also comments from Gevaert and for your personal information, copy of a letter she sent to Mr. Craeybeckx in response to a request for information.

I presume you have been following with interest Steichen's exhibit of "The Family of Man" and will be interested to know that four of the 400 pictures were selected by him from Mrs. Dorr's works. I understand the exhibit will come to London in time but there are two books being published, one de luxe and the other for distribution as wide as possible.

The actual cost to us for the second edition of "Mother and Child" is about $1.70 but I do not know what shipping or tariff would be.

Mrs. Dorr joins me in kindest regards. We very much appreciated meeting you last summer.

Sincerely,

John V. N. Dorr

Enclosures (comments, Gevaert let. to Mrs. Dorr, Mrs. Dorr's reply to Gevaert,
JVND/est and reprint from YANKEE of March 1955)
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