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Ambassador Carlos P. Romulo Waldorf-Astoria Hotel 50th Street and Park Avenue New York, New York

My dear Mr. Ambassador:

I want to tell you how much pleasure the reading of your book "Crusade in Asia" has given me. I have heard the greatest admiration expressed for the work that you have been doing for so many years and also for that of President Magsaysay. It is amazing to me how, when things look very bad, a character arises which helps to meet a most discouraging situation.

I have never been in your country, but have had much contact with it through associates who have been over there and through the use of my inventions in connection with metallurgy and sugar, as well as other things. In fact, I talked only recently with Mr. Rupert Foley of our company who has just returned after spending six months there in connection with the starting up of a government plant for the production of sulphurous acid from pyrite by the FluoSolids process for which we are responsible. I was delighted to hear from him, what you already must know, that the backing which the people gave Magsaysay in the elections two months ago had surprised everyone, including himself, and that his ability to meet the old-type politicos would be greatly strengthened thereby.

I am sending you under separate cover a book by my wife, Nell Dorr, which has been sponsored by a small organization with which I am connected, The Dorr Foundation. The U. S. Information Agency requested and received from The Foundation 150 copies for distribution to their libraries all over the world and were promised an additional 1,000 if there was a demand for same. Somewhat to my surprise, the greatest demand from any place came from the Philippines where they requested 500 copies, which the U. S. Information Agency tells me will be used to build up libraries in schools and reading rooms and as prizes for photographic and art contests. The enclosures in this book are those we have sent with the books given to the U. S. Information Agency. While the book obviously stands on its own feet, I have thought you might be interested in some comments that have been received on it from a variety of people.

As a private citizen, I would hesitate to intrude on your time, but some time when you are in New York, I would deem it a great honor to have the privilege of meeting you.

Very truly yours,

John V. N. Dorr

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