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Dear Ms. Auerbach,

I am writing to let you know that I visited with Eliot Porter and Donna Pierce recently to discuss another book of photographs on Mexico. This one will focus on festivals and related markets and will probably be called MEXICAN CELEBRATIONS.

Eliot showed me the photographs you sent with the hope that we could include them, and I thought I should tell you that, as much as I like and admire your work, I'm doubtful that it will be included in this volume. Your photographs do not really fit in thematically with the others. Furthermore, the issue of color--the colorfulness of the celebrations--is a primary one, and your black-and-white prints would look quite out of place, I'm afraid.

I am truly sorry to be writing you with this disappointing news, but I did want you to know as soon as possible, with the hope that it will save you further inconvenience. Thank you for your interest in the project, though. I do appreciate having had the opportunity to see your work.

Sincere regards,

Dana Asbury
Editor

✓ cc: Eliot Porter