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Dear Dr. Ferrater Mera,

The enclosed formal invitation requires a few additional remarks.

The new series of Chroniques, comprising four volumes, is to be ready for the next International Philosophical Congress (Venice, September 1958). Its title will be Survey of Philosophy in Mid-Century (Chroniques de Philosophie).

The Survey has been divided into seventy sections dealing with the various branches of philosophy. This division according to subject matter does not do full justice to the achievement of some outstanding philosophers who died during the period under review. I have therefore decided to include five sections devoted to particularly outstanding thinkers. Ortega is one of them.

It is, of course, very difficult to sum up his achievement in a brief space and in such a short time. However, it would be very important to have a contribution showing the specific character of his thought - a contribution which would make philosophers (especially those in Anglo-Saxon countries) aware of the problems with which he was concerned, the manner in which he treated them, and the conclusions he reached. Particular reference should be made to his later work, especially to that of the last few years of his life.

Only the most important books by or about Ortega should be referred to. Those will be known to you anyhow - hence hardly any bibliographical research will be required.

All details concerning typographical arrangement etc., are contained in the enclosed rules and editorial instructions.

I should consider it particularly appropriate if you would write the section on Ortega, and greatly welcome it if, without being deterred by the two-fold handicap of time and space, you would undertake to do so.

Yours sincerely,

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