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Dear Professor Mora,

I just received your letter of February 28, I am glad to re-assure you at once that your fears are unfounded. Survey in the January issue begins with these words: "The Emergence of South America as a centre of philosophical and scientific studies is one of the most significant events of the moment." I have given pride of place to the Actas del Primer Congreso Nacional de Filosofia and to your Dictionary. I shall have much pleasure in sending you an offprint which, however, cannot be included in this letter. Meanwhile you may perhaps see it in the Library. This fact proves, I hope, to your satisfaction how welcome your great work was. May I add that I find it most useful. It contains an incredible amount of information which cannot be found in other dictionaries, e.g. about Italian philosophers. I have repeatedly drawn the attention of my students to it, and I am glad of having this opportunity of thanking you personally for it.

This fact will also clear up, I trust, the remark about the wisdom of sending Spanish books for review. It was not based on a lack of interest, but on the hard fact that my knowledge of Spanish as well as that of our readers is very limited. This may be regrettable but it is so. To quote my Survey again:

"It may be that one day we shall all have to learn Spanish if we want to keep abreast with the progress of philosophical thought." My remark was meant in this sense: "If publishers send their books for commercial reasons, I am afraid, the possibilities are very limited in this country."

Your book, El Sentido de la Muerte, interests me very much, but there again is the difficulty of the language. If you would care to formulate your central thesis in a few lines, I should be very grateful.

If you want a last proof, my Survey concludes with references to Spanish periodicals.

Yours sincerely
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