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My dear friend,

1. Thank you for your kind letter of 23rd July. It gives me a chance of explaining more fully the position as our London Office see it.
2. Publishers send them copies of books for advance distribution to various countries. Since these are of very limited number London have to think carefully where to send them especially as there is a great demand for such books from all parts of the world. Now unfortunately there is one gentleman in Barcelona who has received 46 books of which he has not published a review. Owing to the difficulty of divisas, publishers here many of these books are the only copies that exist in Spain since even the Institute cannot always receive a copy for the Library. Accordingly London have asked me to speak to those who write our reviews. There is absolutely nothing personal in the matter and they would be particularly sorry if you were to think there was. On the contrary they are most gratified by the care a man of your high academic merit dedicates to the reviews and as I have often told you they have on several occasions spoken in the highest terms of your collaboration which is greatly appreciated. They were very pleased when I told them you had been awarded the Luis Vives prize, and recently I sent them your book on geopolitics, which I greatly enjoyed reading myself.
3. I am very sorry that we have missed the fine reviews you mention. No note has been made of them in the Office and it may be they were published during the vacations. Our friends in London will be very disappointed not to see them since they really do look forward with special interest to whatever you write. The book "STRAFFORD" by C.V. Wedgwood has arrived and I am sending it herewith.
4. I take this opportunity of expressing once more the high regard felt by the Institute and by me personally for your unfailing friendship and integrity. There is no person whose cooperation in the work of preserving and expanding our common Western civilisation we of the Institute would esteem higher.

I send every good wish for a happy holiday to you
and Mrs Vicens

Yours sincerely

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