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Dear Colleague:

The uncertain internal situation in Cuba has forced us to postpone once again the Meeting of Bibliographers Specializing in History. The organizing committee now feels that the meeting should be delayed until October 1959. For those of you who are keeping score this is the fifth postponement of the meeting. The negative results of the delays are obvious, however, we would like to sketch some of the positive results.

We have already received several papers on various aspects of bibliographical development. In addition, the news that such a meeting is contemplated has enabled us to make contact with active bibliographers throughout the Hispanic area. Out of all this activity has emerged a clearer concept of the directions in which the meeting might well proceed.

Also the delay will permit us time to have all the papers duplicated and in your hands prior to the meeting. As a beginning we are sending you under separate cover copies of the papers prepared by Dr. Charles Gibson, State University of Iowa, and Dr. Howard F. Cline, The Hispanic Foundation. We are also sending you a tentative list of participants to which we shall add increments as more people alert us to their interest in the meeting. Your comments on the papers are always most welcome.

The widening circle of interest in the Havana meeting has made it necessary for us to fall back on mimeographed letters to participants. Please excuse this necessary evil.

As a final note, the organizing committee has asked us to solicit your indulgences in the matter of the delay. Our own thanks go to those of you who have written many thoughtful letters.

Sincerely yours,

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