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Dear Professor Ferrater Mora,

My colleague Dr. Jonas told me of your kind interest in my essay on Max Scheler published in recent issues of the Revue of Metaphysics. Please find here enclosed a reprint.

This is not my first article on Scheler. A paper on "Scheler's Theory of Intersubjectivity and the General Thesis of the Alter Ego" appeared in Philosophy and Phenomenological Research, Vol. II, March 1942 pp 323-347. Unfortunately I have no reprints left of this paper. Moreover, I contributed an article on Scheler to the Volume "Les philosophes célèbres", edited by Prof. Merleau-Ponty, Paris 1956. This article is merely a presentation of some of this Philosopher's main ideas for the interested layman. No reprints were put at my disposal.

It happened that I received your book on Ortega Y Gasset from Yale University Press the same day at which Dr. Jonas brought me your message. I had ordered this book after having read it in our library because I want to study it more closely following up your excellent presentation with the help of the German four volume edition of Ortega's collected works. My self-taught reading knowledge of the Spanish language is highly unsatisfactory.

I am especially interested in the posthumous book of Ortega "Man and People" in which he deals with the problem of the philosophical foundation of Sociology. I was pleased and honored to see that Ortega refers several times to a book I published on this topic in German in 1932, although it seems that he does not agree with my main thesis which is based on Husserl. I was still more pleased to see that Ortega criticizes Husserl's Fifth Cartesian Meditation by using the same arguments I proposed in a paper presented to a meeting of phenomenologists at Royaumont, April 1957, at a time at which I had no knowledge of Ortega's book which I read in the English translation published last Fall. Assuming that you read German and that this topic will interest you I am enclosing also a reprint of this paper meanwhile published by the Philosophische Rundschau.

I was delighted to learn from Dr. Jonas that you have known my dear late friend Paul Landsberg with whom I was in close contact during his Paris years up to July 1939 when I left for the United States. You might be interested to learn that Mrs. Landsberg passed away after having suffered another nervous break-down.

I hope that there will be an opportunity to meet you personally. I am eager to ask you for advice how to interpret certain aspects of Ortega's philosophy. Let me hope that such a meeting can be arranged in the Fall. I shall leave on June 2nd for Europe and it is my intention to attend the International Philosophical Congress in Venice in September. Perhaps you plan to be there also.

Very sincerely yours

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My colleague Dr. Jonas told me that you had written an essay on Max Weber's philosophy. Please find here enclosed a certain number of references which may be of interest to you.

I am deeply indebted to you for the information that you have provided me with. I am particularly interested in the information that you have provided me with regarding the work of the German philosopher Alfred Schütz. I am particularly interested in the information that you have provided me with regarding the work of the German philosopher Alfred Schütz. I am particularly interested in the information that you have provided me with regarding the work of the German philosopher Alfred Schütz.