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Dear Professor Ferratar:

The Executive Committee for the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy has, in response to numerous requests, decided to include in its 1974 program at Vanderbilt University (October 31-November 2), a symposium dealing with the philosophy of Ortega. Knowing your own work and concerns, the Committee felt that such a symposium would benefit most substantially by your participation as one of two principal speakers. On behalf of the Committee and the Society, I am therefore cordially inviting you to present a paper on a theme or themes of your choice concerned with the work of Ortega. Since it is a symposium, we would like to have the principal speakers consult with each other in advance, and to have their papers sent at least a month in advance to a commentator whose task it will be to raise major questions for discussion. We plan to ask Professor Sherman Stanage (Northern Illinois University) to serve as commentator. And, since Professor Angel de Medina (Georgia State University in Atlanta), whom you doubtless know, made the original suggestion for the symposium -and indeed suggested you -- we have asked him to be the other principal speaker.

I hope that you can find the time for this, and that you will be able to accept our invitation to participate. If you do, may I ask you to contact Professor Medina, to whom I have already written, so that the two of you can begin to coordinate your efforts? I'll let you know about Professor Stanage as soon as I have heard from him.

Unfortunately, the Society does not have special funds for these presentations, and thus must rely on the good graces of the individual's home institution for expenses. Please let me know if you agree to participate, and send me the title of your paper some time before wert September, when we print our program. Professor Jose Ferrater Mora

With all my best wishes and warmest regards.

Cordially yours,

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Richard M. Zaner, Chairman; Easterwood Professor of Philosophy

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