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Mr. Georg Lukacs,
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Hungary.

Dear Professor Lukacs,

Many thanks for your letter of the 19th October. Early next week we shall despatch to you twelve copies of "Studies in European Realism", and I shall appreciate if you will kindly acknowledge receipt.

Regarding your manuscript on Socialist Realism, I have not yet reached any final decision and I hope to do so in the next few weeks, when I shall inform you as well as the Hungarian authorities. It is a matter on which I will have to have consultation with a number of responsible people here.

My friend Mr. Stanley Mitchell told me that he had the pleasure of meeting you in Helsinki and he gave me your kind regards.

I have only just learned that you have recently celebrated your 70th birthday, and I am at the moment having the pleasure of reading the Festschrift in your honour issued in East Berlin. I would like to extend my heartiest congratulations and to wish you many more fruitful years in Marxist literary criticism and philosophy.

I was also very interested to see a list of books which you wrote, and, being a lifelong admirer of your work, I pride myself that I possess 80% of them, and only a few items are missing in my library.

I would like to underline once more that as soon as I reach a decision on your book I shall let you know.

With best wishes,

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Yours very sincerely,
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