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Dear Georg Lukaćs,

It is becoming increasingly apparent that you have become a bone of contention among American literati. This to us is the meaning of Isaac Deutscher's long and vindictive review of ESSAYS ON THOMAS MANN in the May 16 NATION. No doubt you have seen this and perhaps also our very much abridged comment on that review. We very much want you to read the complete letter we sent the NATION and it is enclosed.

Also included is a long delayed review of our novel in the NATIONAL GUARDIAN. This is the first critical statement - and a pleasing one to us - by those progressive elements here who should be most appreciative of it. The popularity of the work evidently is what has stood between it and serious consideration.

The German edition of HURRY SUNDOWN, MORGEN IST EIN NEUER TAG, is off the press now in preparation for a September publication. We have asked Fritz Bolle, our editor at Droemer-Knaur to send you a copy.

It is our hope that during the past year you have met your writing goals and that this summer you will be able to relax and enjoy the sunshine and the outdoorsa small reward for your mighty efforts.

> MTA FIL. INT. Lukács Arch.

Cordially,