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Dear Mr. Lukács

The Japanese have taken much interest in artistic and literary activities of foreign countries. Your works are translated into Japanese, and we know how eagerly they are read.

Curiously enough, however, no Japanese literary magazines have so far made direct contact with you in order to introduce your personal views, artistic and literary activities in your country and the present state of the world.

We plan to start a new literary magazine The Umi (The Sea) in April, 1969, and this seems a good opportunity to ask for your opinions in these matters on the international scale.

The Chuokoron-Sha, Inc. is considered one of the representative publishers in Japan, which since its establishment in 1886 has been actively performing its role as a publisher in all fields of human endeavor, including political, economic, literary, artistic and scientific spheres. In producing the literary magazine we will always bear in mind the international view point, and will not neglect the literary characteristics of each country. Your answers to the questionnaire are all the more important in these respects.

We will be most happy if you will mail your answers before the end of February, 1969.

Thank you for your considerations.

Yours sincerely,

M. Kondo Nobuyuki Kondo Editor in Chief

P.s. You may, of course, answer the questionnaire in your mother tongue. We would like to have your answer in the double-spaced type-written form. You will receive the remuneration of \$7,200 (US\$20) for your response.