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Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your two letters dated the 19th instant and enclosures.

In clause 1 of the agreement I suggest, in the second line, after the word "publish" the addition of the words "in book form."

The provisions of the clause in regard to the United States and Canada are not very clearly expressed and I think it would be as well to include a stipulation that the publishers shall not be free to dispose of sheets or bound copies to the United States or Canada for six months after the date of first publication in Great Britain save with your written consent. This stipulation will give you an opportunity of arranging for copyright publication in the United States through an American publishing house. In this connexion you should take steps to secure ad interim copyright in the United States by filing at Washington a copy of the English edition within sixty days after first British publication. I can advise you in regard to this matter when the time comes if you will communicate with me.

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Philip A. de Laszlo Esq.

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Yours very truly,

DKR/DG.

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