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Dear Sir:

We are a non-profit organization engaged in the study of the USSR, its policy, economics and culture, with particular emphasis on developments and nationality problems within the socialist bloc. A considerable part of our effort is directed toward making the people of this country and of other free nations better acquainted with the dangers inherent in the communist way of life and its propaganda.

Last summer, we printed a collection of excerpts from the writings of eight selected authors, most of whom are either former communists or communist sympathizers who became disillusioned in the idea or practice of communism.

The approach made by us in selecting the authors and excerpts was to point to communism as a religion or way of life, as seen by those who tasted it and preached it (mostly voluntarily), and who subsequently saw its faults and shortcomings and

who dared take the risk of letting the world know about it. The collection (as per enclosed sample copies) was printed by us in three languages: English, Ukrainian and Russian, and distributed at various functions or gatherings where citizens of Soviet or satellite countries could be reached. We also distributed them by mail to a selected list of addressees within the USSR and the satellite countries. It occurs to us that it might be worthwhile to consider the publication and distribution of this collection in the languages of Africa, Asia and Latin America, for example, in Swahili, Hindi, Urdu, Arabic, Thai, Spanish and Portuguese.

Since the realization of such a plan is beyond our financial means because as it is, we have exhausted a considerable part of our funds on the three existing booklets, we are seeking aid which we would couple with our experience.

In this connection we take the liberty of inquiring what would your opinion be of the plan here mentioned, and whether you would be interested in entering into a further discussion of this subject with us.

Incidentally, in printing the three booklets, we have retained the composition, so that it would be possible to print further editions of same at low cost.

We trust that we will have the pleasure of hearing from you.

Respectfully yours,

M. Lebed
President