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Dear Jack,

This letter is in response to some of the questions you raise in your letter of September 16. First, on the question of the manner in which the European text is signed, we think that it is correct to designate this document as a document of the United Secretariat. Once a document is adopted by a body by a majority vote, it automatically becomes that body's document. No confusion can arise, since the vote is recorded.

Second, as we understood the discussion at the United Secretariat, the vote to publish the European document included the understanding that an introduction would be a part of it. Thus, the introduction is as well a part of the presentation of the European document by the United Secretariat.

Third, our recollection is that there were only three votes in total against the general line of the European document, including both decisive and consultative members present at the time and voting against. If we are mistaken and there were in reality a total of four votes against, we would of course change the minutes to reflect this.

Finally, the IEC decided to draft a political resolution. This automatically implies that the question is on the agenda of future tasks for the United Secretariat in preparation for the World Congress. It is true that no committee has been designated to do this and no concrete proposals have yet been made as to the character of the resolution. But we stand on the position that the political resolutions for the World Congress must go through the normally elected bodies of the International. We would propose the following change:

"All these problems will be proposed to be dealt with in the framework of the political resolution the United Secretariat has to prepare for the Eleventh World Congress."

This letter is not intended to exhaust all the points raised in your letter of September 16, but simply to clarify some of the questions that might hold up production of the English version of the European document.

Comradely,

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