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Ernest Mandel
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Dear Ernest,

When Jack was in Europe a few months ago, he talked with you about your proposal that a book be printed containing a collection of articles by leaders of the world movement commemorating the 100th anniversary of Trotsky's birth.

He indicated to you that Pathfinder's financial situation regretfully doesn't permit us to include such a book on our 1978 or 1979 schedule. We've had to make cuts in the number of titles we're publishing as well as in our staff, and we don't feel that the type of book you propose financially or politically merits a higher priority than titles already committed to that we must keep on our schedule.

I'm writing to reaffirm what Jack told you and to indicate that we consider the project closed, as far as we are concerned.

You'll be pleased to learn that From Class Society to Communism: An Introduction to Marxism, is selling well here. In two months our initial order of 1,000 is nearly gone and we've ordered 2,000 more.

Comradely,

Doug Jenness

cc: Jack