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June 24, 1971

Dear Comrade Stein,

Thank you for your letter of June 15, 1971.

In accordance with your request, we are going ahead and utilizing the copy of the manuscript which you sent us as the basis for an English translation of the article by Pinheiro-Mattos on Brazil.

I am disappointed that you did not send me a copy of the May issue of Quatrième Internationale as I requested in my letter of June 1. You stated in your letter of May 16 that the article in question was published in the issues of March and May. As yet neither I nor anyone else that I know of here has received a single copy of the May issue of Quatrième Internationale although it is now almost the end of June. It is hard to understand why you decided against airmailing me a copy.

As to a "political reply" to your letter of May 16, you stated that what was "most important" and what you considered to be a "question of principle" concerned the alleged rejection by the editor of Intercontinental Press of the article on Brazil submitted by Pinheiro-Mattos. From your letter of June 15 I gather that you now recognize that you were mistaken in your assumption.

With regard to the objections you leveled in your May 16 letter against making it possible for our own circles to read the contribution of the Ponto de Partida group to the general discussion in Latin America on tactics and strategy ("Concerning a Kidnapping in Brazil"), I assume that since you have submitted your May 16 letter for publication in the Internal Bulletin that possible replies will similarly be submitted for publication there.

Fraternally, s/Joseph Hansen

cc: United Secretariat
Political Bureau of the Ligue Communiste
Political Committee, Socialist Workers Party
Editor, Quatrième Internationale

TRANSLATION

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Paris, June 15, 1971

Dear Comrade Joseph Hansen,

I received your letter of June 1, 1971. While awaiting a political reply to my letter of May 16, 1971, I would like to make only one observation of a technical nature:

For a possible English translation of the article on Brazil (by Pinheiro-Mattos), I would like to ask you to please use the copy that I sent you dated last March 8. The fact is, unfortunately, that in publishing this article in Quatrième Internationale a series of misprints and typographical errors were made, and words and even parts of sentences are missing. The version that I sent you, which is a complete one, will in addition be the one that will be published in Cuarta Internacional, the Spanish magazine of the U.S.

Fraternal greetings, Stein