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John Hales, President  
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Dear John:

Enclosed is my report on my recent trip to Colombia. Please consider it my annual report as Field Representative as well. I apologize for it's length. For the first few days after my return I had planned on simply sending the usual " I had a nice time " kind of letter. But as I thought more about my experiences over the last six years, not just with the Colombians, but with the readers in France as well, I realized that I needed to say more.

I find myself in the unique position within our movement of being bilingual and having come to know well one group of foriegn readers, while at the same time having my sister in Paris deeply involved with the other major language group at work on the book. I realized that such an experience has given me an insight which I wanted to share.

I certainly don't expect everyone who reads this report to agree with it. I am simply providing some ideas to the Executive Committee, as well as to the trustees. I leave it to you collectively to do with these suggestions as you will. I am mailing a copy of the report to members of the committee so they might have a chance to read it at home, prior to the hurried hours of your meeting together. I would welcome any comments which any of you care to share.

Finally, let me state that it has not been my intent to criticize past actions of anyone, and specifically the trustees, on the handling of affairs in Colombia. If the tone of the report comes across that way, keep in mind that I am trying to convey a flavor of the thoughts and feelings present in Colombia today. To appreciate what is there today, you must know the events leading to today, and the reactions of the readers to these events of the past.

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Hindsight is always 20/20. Any of us could do a better job the second time around in any undertaking. The same applies to judgements made in Colombia. I just thank God I am not a trustee and do not have to bear the enormous responsibility they do. My shoulders are not that broad ( nor my skin that thick ). When all is said and done, my report is a plea to the Executive Committee that we give the board a hand, when possible, in their enormous task. Implicit in this is a plea to the trustees to accept that extended hand, and to build an even greater partnership than that which we enjoy today. We find ourselves " in bed " together over and over, these two organizations. We are like a husband and wife who, even though they may disagree and fight daily, can still love each other and grow old together.

I very much look forward to our continued working together.

Regards to everyone at 533.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dick".

Richard F. Prince, M.D.

cc: Tom Kendall