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Dr. W. P. Woodring Smithsonian Institution Washington, D. C. 20560

Dear Dr. Woodring:

Replying to your letter regarding Field Trip #7. I shall have to refer your question to Dr. Weidie, Yucatan Field Trip Chairman, who is in Saltillo, Mexico, for the summer. Dr. Weidie has made the arrangements with PAN AMERICAN AIRLINES who grant a certain number of free passages for field trip leaders according to the size of the excursion group. Consequently, a request such as yours does entail some problems, hopefully not insurmountable. Pending Dr. Weidie's reply we shall reserve space for you and Mrs. Woodring on the post-meeting trip. It occurs to me that you intend to travel from New Orleans to Merida anyway. Perhaps you could make that part of the journey as members of the field trip group?

Dr. Stenzel told me earlier that there is a possibility that you will visit our School of Geology in Baton Rouge before the G.S.A. Meeting. He is away for the summer so I do not know the extent of his discussions with you, but we shall be delighted to have you and your wife on Campus. If seminar lectures can be scheduled, we shall be able to provide an honorarium of approximately \$200 to cover added expenses that such a stopover would cost. There is only one problem, and this concerns the heavy involvement of our faculty and students in pre-meeting G.S.A. activities. Consequently, we should hope that you will be able to speak here on Wednesday or Thursday, November 15 or 16 at the latest because I fear that a lecture Friday would be poorly attended in view of many cut-of-town conflicts. Of course, if such an early date is an inconvenience, please plan to come Friday anyway, as those who would still be here certainly would wish to profit from your visit.

Sincerely,

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C. O. Durham, Jr., Director School of Geology

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Dr. H. Stenzel