

PARIS, le 8 décembre 1977

Dear Emmett,

I quite perfectly understand how delicious may seem the sense of freedom and relief you now feel, seeing Nestor on a convenient trail.

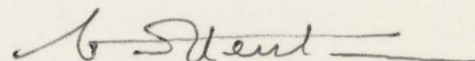
But you must know the immense gratitude we all keep towards you, your generous enterprise, your permanent and sensible work day after day and week after week during so many years. Let us say you a great and heartfelt MERCI !

I just received your letter from september 26, after an unexplainable delay. And I received, just a few days before, the letter from Thomas Jacobsen, dated November 3. I am answering to him by the same mail.

I am prepared, together with my wife and my team at the Centre Glotz of the Sorbonne, to assume the gathering of all information you need, you and your successors, on the work in progress in France or such news. I only fear not to be able to do that with the sense of humour: as I am not a true mycenologist, "il ne m'est point permis de rire" aussi souvent que vous...

With all good wishes from Micheline and me

Very sincerely yours



Henri van Effenterre