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Zurich, December 22, 1972.

Mr. Victor M. Lessiovski  
Special Assistant to the  
Secretary-General  
United Nations  
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Victor:

As I mentioned to you over the phone, we are starting a project on the peaceful uses of the Arctic Basin. Of course we are always eager to have Soviet experts with us, but in this particular case, the project just would not make any sense without them.

I have written to the two most obvious Institutes, and am enclosing copies of my letters. Do you think you might do something to encourage participation on their part?

I am also aware of your own experience with the Arctic. In view of this, we would be very grateful indeed if you personally could join us in Montreal for this planning session? If so, you should try to get there the evening of February 4. The planning session should be over the evening of the sixth (on the seventh we have our Council meeting).

Please let me know. We'll be glad to send you an open ticket New York-Montreal and back, unless you prefer to make your own arrangements. We have rooms reserved at the Martinique, where also the conference will take place.

All the very best for the holidays and the New Year.

Yours as ever,

Elisabeth Mann Borgese

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UNITED NATIONS  
MOSCOW

LORD RITCHIE CALDER AND MYSELF SHOULD LIKE TO VISIT MOSCOW  
AND LENINGRAD BETWEEN JUNE 12 AND JUNE 17 to meet experts on  
ARTIC OCEAN STOP WOULD BE DEEPLY GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD HELP  
US TO ARRANGE THIS. PLEASE ADVISE EARLIEST POSSIBLE LETTER  
ENROUTE REGARDS.

ELISABETH MANN BORGESE

MAY 7, 1973

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May 30, 1972

Mr. Victor Lessiovski  
Office of the Secretary General  
United Nations  
New York, New York

Dear Victor:

Thanks again for the arrangements last week. I think the conversation, though brief, was useful.

I have delivered the vodka. Two things today:

1. I am enclosing a copy of my letter to the Ministry of Culture. Could you check on that? It would be wonderful if something could be worked out.
2. I am enclosing a list of our Board of Trustees and of our Planning Council. I am also enclosing copies of correspondence with Dr. Peccei and Dr. Kolodkin concerning the Soviet member on the Board of Trustees. There has been no action yet. The Board is meeting on June 26 and it would be sad if the Soviet member had not been appointed by then.

Whatever you can do will be greatly appreciated.

Love,

Elisabeth Mann Borgese

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL  
CABINET DU SECRETAIRE GENERAL


REFERENCE: PERSONAL

10 May 1972

Dear Mrs. Borgese,

Mr. Lessiovski asked me to write to you to confirm your telephone conversation with him this afternoon to the effect that the Secretary-General will be seeing you on Friday, 19 May 1972, at 3.30 p.m.

Yours sincerely,



L. Shawa (Miss)  
Secretary to  
Mr. Victor M. Lessiovski

Mrs. Elisabeth Mann Borgese  
Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions  
Box 4068  
Santa Barbara, California 93103

February 4, 1972

Mr. Victor Lessiovski  
Special Assistant to the Secretary  
General  
United Nations  
New York, New York

Dear Victor:

Enclosed is the provisional agenda.

Please let me know when you are arriving.

Cordially yours,

Elisabeth Mann Borgese

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December 1, 1971

Mr. Victor Lessiowski  
Special Assistant to U Thant  
The United Nations  
New York, New York

Dearest Victor:

While waiting for your call -- I imagine around December 6th -- here is another problem in which I would need your help.

I am very much interested in the potential of the Earth Resource Technological Satellites. What has been happening in this area -- and what is bound to happen during the next ten years -- is making the Outer Space Treaty badly obsolete. Something will have to be done, or there will be a lot of confusion, to put it mildly.

The possibility of setting up -- eventually: not tomorrow!-- an international earth-resource management agency, in the context of a revised Outer-Space Treaty and profiting greatly from the experience with the international management of ocean resources, is something that a private organization like ours ought to be looking into. It might open quite novel approaches to the thorny problems of Development and the relations between developed and developing nations.

I know that NASA has circularized the countries of the world to determine world-wide interest for Earth Resources studies; and that the U.N. has set up a special office which includes Earth Resources, Education, and Communication Satellite studies and proposals.

Could you let me have this material from the U.N.? I would like to prepare a paper for our forthcoming seminar here at the Center on Development during the Second Development Decade (February 14-18).

It would be so nice to have you here for that seminar!

All the best,

Yours as ever,

Elisabeth Mann Borgese

Lessiovski

February 17, 1972

Mr. Ted Phillips  
Staff Malcologist  
Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History  
2559 Puesta del Sol Road  
Santa Barbara, Calif. 93105

Dear Mr. Phillips:

Mr. Lessiovski of the United Nations sent me,  
through a friend, the enclosed letter to you.

There was no time to act on the request before  
the departure of this friend, but I should like  
to bring the matter to your attention now. If  
you have any shells for Mr. Lessiovski, would  
you be so kind as to call me? I shall be glad  
to arrange for the shipment.

Yours very sincerely,

Elisabeth Mann Borgese



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REFERENCE:

19 November 1971

Dear Mr. Phillips,

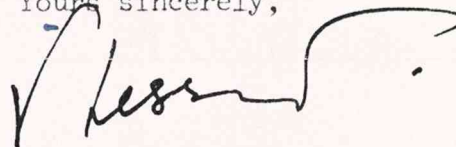
I am sending you herewith half a dozen of sea shells from the Soviet Union; this is all I have at the moment. Unfortunately so far, I have given everything I had to my friends (malacologists) and museums in this part of the country and it is not very easy to obtain more from Russia while I am here.

I shall try to get you the tiny shells you requested through friends but I am afraid it may take some time. Of course I can send you more shells when I return home.

I do hope you will be able to help me with shells from California.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



Victor M. Lessiovski  
Personal Assistant to the Secretary-General

*Dear Elizabeth  
for your information!  
I hope they will not  
exchange shell for shell  
my friends here usually  
unwittingly it at least 20  
Regards Vic*

Mr. Ted Phillips  
Staff Malacologist  
Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History  
2559 Puesta del Sol Road  
Santa Barbara, California 93105

November 15, 1971

Mr. Victor M. Lessiovski  
Personal Assistant to the Secretary-General  
Cabinet du Secretaire General  
United Nations, New York

Dear Victor:

I spoke with Mr. Phillips of the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History today regarding your interest in exchanging shells. He told me that he recently heard from you and that you offered to send him some shells from the Moscow area. He is now eagerly awaiting this shipment from you so that he in turn can send you some shells from here. (The custom is, he tells me, that whomever initiates the request for exchange must be the first to send shells.)

Let me know if this works out satisfactorily, or if there is anything else we can do from this end.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Elisabeth Mann Borgese

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REFERENCE:

7 October 1971

Dear Elisabeth,

It is quite some time since we have spoken and met at Villanova. I missed you in Helsinki as I did go to take part in the Peace Academy seminar.

I am pleased to inform you that my daughter has successfully entered the Moscow Conservatory of Music and my trip home therefore, has been quite justified.

I have been back since mid August and totally involved with the General Assembly and all its excitements (the biggest - will China be admitted or not, and who will be the next Secretary-General? I have my own guesses but I wonder if they will be correct.

In a way the outcome of this assembly will affect my decision regarding how soon I should be going back home. Some time in November I guess I have to clarify the matter about a visit to your centre. It would be useful if we could get in touch on this subject by telephone.

I am still interested in shells and recently discovered that in the Museum of Natural History of Santa Barbara there is a good collection. Through my experience with such museums I have found that they usually have a lot of spare duplicates and are willing to help a collector.

As I eventually intend to pass my collection to the museum at home, I wonder whether you could check with Mr. Nelson W. Baker, the curátor of the Museum in Santa Barbara if he would be able to assist me in obtaining some duplicate shells from their collection.

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Should he be interested, I would get in touch with him directly.

I was told that in one of the issues of your magazines, there was something about my participation in the seminar. Could I have a copy of it?

I shall be glad to hear from you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Victor M. Lessiovski', written over the typed name.

Victor M. Lessiovski  
Personal Assistant to the Secretary-General

..... P.S. I am enclosing a copy of "Draft Ocean Space Treaty".

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19/V. H.

Dear Elizabeth!

After we talked with you on telephone I had dinner with Anarasimha and then we talked about you (good of course).

I am sending you a short list of shells of pacific coast of America which I suppose our friends in the shop have. The list is only for guidance and any shells from it some now, some later will be appreciated.

When I have your letter I'll take it up with my boss. We'll get in touch before I go I am sure.

With best regards

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Jim'.

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LIST OF SEA SHELLS

(Pacific Coast of America)

CONUSES:

princeps, dalli, lucidus, tornatus,  
californicus, bullatus (Hawaii)

VOLUTAS:

archthomelon benthalis, archthomelon  
stearnsii (Alaska), lyria cumingi,  
lyria barnesii

CYPRAEAS:

aequinotialis, robertsi; thersites  
zolia thersites (Australia)

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VICTOR LESSIOVSKI OMNIPRESS MOSKOW USSR

SECRETARY GENERALS OFFICE INFORMS ME YOU WILL DELIVER SECRETARY  
GENERALS MESSAGE AT INAUGURATION PACEM IN MARIBUS THREE JUNE  
27 EVENING STOP PLEASE CONFIRM ARRIVAL DELAY IN PRESENTING  
MESSAGE WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE SO PLEASE TRY TO ARRIVE ON  
TIME AND CERTAINLY NOT LATER THAN JUNE 29 REGARDS

ELISABETH MANN BORGESE  
SECRETARY GENERAL

EMB

March 10, 1971

Mr. Victor Lessiovski  
Executive Office of the Secretary-General  
United Nations  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Lessiovski:

The Senior Fellows were grateful for your contribution to our recent seminar on International Relations in an Interdependent World.

It is their opinion that your long experience in the United Nations would be of great value for our ongoing projects on world order and international organization, and accordingly they invite you to spend two months at the Center as a Visiting Fellow.

The Senior Fellows have asked me to work out the timing and arrangements with you.

The best time for us would be this April and May, but this is very close, and I imagine it may be difficult for you to make the necessary arrangements on such short notice. An alternative would be next January and February or January 15 through March 15.

Financial arrangements may be made subsequently between you and me.

As a Visiting Fellow you would be welcome to present papers at the dialogue sessions and be expected to participate in the discussion of papers presented by others.

I look forward to hearing from you and hopefully to your spending two months at the Center.

Sincerely yours,

Gary M. Cadenhead  
Secretary

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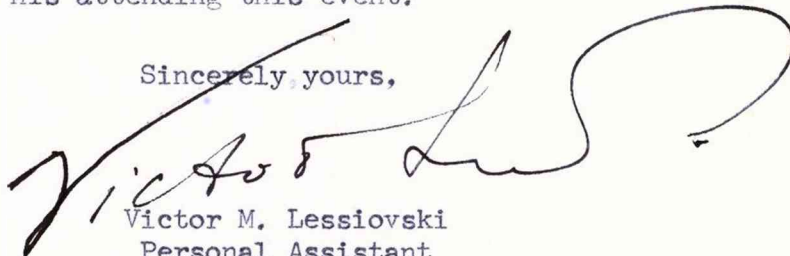
5 January 1971

Dear Elizabeth,

I have just resumed my work after a New Year's vacation and I have started to gather together material for my participation in the seminar which will take place at the Center from January 27 to 29. While I shall try to prepare a text for deliberation at the seminar, I have reason to avoid, if possible, presenting an official paper on the subject of "parliamentary diplomacy". I wonder if you will still invite me, in that case, to participate. It will be much more convenient for me this way.

I hope to hear from you when you have returned from Europe, refreshed and full of energy. As you requested, I discussed the matter of the Secretary-General's participation in the convocation to take place in Malta, and he is in direct correspondence in this matter with Mr. Hutchins. I am doing everything I can, on my part, towards his attending this event.

Sincerely yours,



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to the Secretary-General

Miss Elisabeth Mann Borgese  
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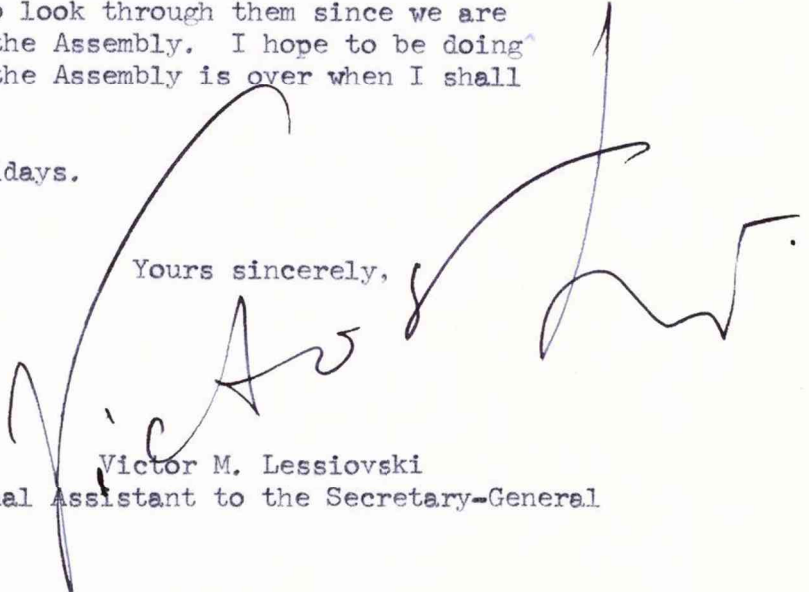
Dear Elisabeth,

Enclosed are two pictures which I took of you in Santa Barbara. I hope you take those affairs slowly but that otherwise you are successful as usual!

I received the material for the seminar but must confess that I haven't had time to look through them since we are now in the last stage of the Assembly. I hope to be doing something about it after the Assembly is over when I shall be contacting you.

Wishing you happy holidays.

Yours sincerely,



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December 1, 1970

Mr. Victor M. Lessiovski  
Personal Assistant to the  
Secretary-General  
The United Nations  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Lessiovski:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter from Mr. Hutchins to  
Secretary-General U Thant inviting him to attend our  
second Pacem in Maribus Convocation.

Many thanks for your help in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Elisabeth Mann Borgese  
Secretary-General  
Pacem in Maribus Convocation

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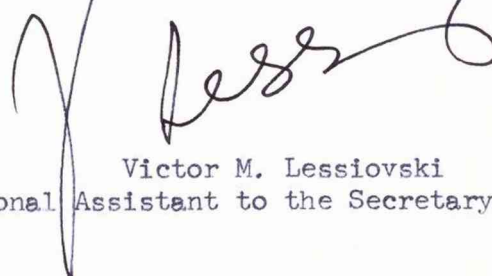
16 November 1970

Dear Elisabeth.

As you requested, I have discussed with the Secretary-General the proposal to invite him to the Pacem in Maribus Conference in Malta from June 29 to July 5, 1971. He agreed, in principle, to consider this visit either at the beginning or at the end of the conference and made appropriate note in his diary.

I think it would be advisable if, at this stage, Mr. Robert M. Hutchins forwards an official invitation to the Secretary-General.

Yours sincerely,



Victor M. Lessiovski  
Personal Assistant to the Secretary-General

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