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Sr. Don José Carlos Mariátegui,
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My friend:-- Señor Llanos has sent me the review containing your splendid and generous article on - I will not say my work - but on my intentions, at least. I do not know how to thank you for this tribute. I have already read work of yours in various periodicals; and my respect for you makes me the more humble before this gracious salute from South America. I can not feel, that I have altogether failed, when this kind of thing is given me. Life here in "Yanquilandia" is very very hard for the artist, for the man who deliberately sets himself against the most stupendously successful materialistic movement in all history. But life is not hopeless. Such words as yours are the Manna which enable me to survive in what I often, when I am weary and disheartened, feel to be the Desert of our age. Thanks --- deeply, deeply, my thanks.....

yours,

Waldo Frank

P S Would it be possible for me to have two more copies of this article?