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February 20, 1941.

Mrs. Max Farrand, 1650, Orlando Road, San Marino, California.

Dear Mrs. Farrand,

Thank you for your letter of February 9th, which I have read with a great deal of interest and have sent on to Mr. Thacher for him to read as well. Your suggestion of continuing on a per diem basis is entirely agreeable to us with a maximum of \$2000 a year to cover all of the various expenses in regard to your work. As we have said before, I am convinced that Dumbarton Oaks needs you particularly at this time when there is a real need for long distance planning and simplification in almost every phase of the gardens.

Mr. Thacher has talked with Bryce in regard to sending his orders through Beatrix Farrand, Agent, so that we may take advantage of these discounts. Thank you for calling this to my attention.

Both Mr. Thacher and I will await with interest the notes which you said you would be sending along in the near future. I understand that you are planning to be in the East again in April so that I hope that at that time we may meet at Dumbarton Oaks, as I feel the time has come for more consultation with you.

It is a great comfort to me to know that Dumbarton Oaks is to continue to have your help and guidance as without it, Mr. Thacher and I would certainly be at a definite loss.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely.

Paul Mark