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My dear [redacted],

I carried out your very happy suggestion to go to the A Embassy with my problem. Through the wholehearted cooperation of [redacted] I was able to turn over the shipment to the Air Lines who with the Air F. Service - at 1/2 the price of the other baggages and an exceptional service both at the [redacted] as well as the [redacted] airport agreed to place the material direct to me in care of [redacted].

The employees of the Air Lines were most helpful and indicated that the seeds & other specimens would likely be Washington airport by Tuesday 17th. This cooperation enabled me to complete my plans to collect certain material [redacted]. This work succeeded beyond my expectations. I only hope my last week's efforts will be equally successful. Being somewhat of an exploratory trip for material orientation, valuable contacts and opportunities for future exploitation, the time available proved all too fast.

Of course I took some of the most important seeds with me - so that if anything should happen in the air - either to the man shipment or to me - the mission will not be a failure. I am eager to report to you and others interested and hope that my efforts - made possible through your invitation and planing - with the results obtained will furnish the foundation for further action.

Believe me very sincerely
and gratefully yours

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enclosed how I see to reach [redacted]