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Dear dr. Hurtado,

Lima

Through the Swedish branch of UNESCO we have got informations about a planned program on adaptation of men to high altitude. This program is under the leadership of ILO and Mr. A. de Lozada is the Project regional Director. For that program a man with a doctors degree in Biology or Medicine is wanted for one year or more. When I heard about the program I proposed dr Åstrand who you met here two years ago to apply, but he feels that he does not want to go. I am however interested in the problem and feel that our laboratory should if wanted participate and I am planning on going myself if nobody more initiated will do it. But as you may understand it seems in some way a little odd to travel from this part of the world to South America when you in Peru may have first rate people for a job like that. - Of course the whole thing may only be the result of a necessary formal procedure and the man may already be decided upon. I suppose you have some inside information and should appreciate if you would tell me what you think about the whole matter.

My interest is specially in the working capacity of men at different altitude and the limitations. If I personally should fix a program for a year I would propose job evaluation from a physiological point of view and determination of physical working capacity for different age groups and the two sexes at different altitude. This can be done with relatively simple methods and should give results of more general value. One good reason for one of us to go to South-America is also the possibility of getting more contact with you and the high altitude work you are in care of.

Sincerely yours,

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