

CORDOBA, January 20th 1944

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My dear Professor Wataghin, I take the liberty of forwarding to you herewith a copy of a letter which I mail simultaneously to the Dean of the Faculty in Rio de Janeiro, concerning the case of Dr. Monteiro.

very sincerely yours
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If the informations of Dr. Santiago Dantas are not due to a simple misunderstanding, the difficulties to get the exit permit of Dr. Monteiro have, either been overcome already several months ago, or they have been never known to him and have been created by channels independent of the official ones, e.g. by an information given by the Portuguese Embassy in Rio. In any case, if the invitation extended to Dr. Monteiro can be maintained and corresponding instruction can be given to the Embassy in Lisbon, there will not be any obstacle for him to leave. Under the given circumstances, you will understand that I am pretty anxious to see the matter settled definitively or at least to have complete and reliable information on what is going on in order to be able to take the necessary steps. That is why I ask you to insist in Rio that everything should be done and to write to me as soon as you have any information about the matter.

✓ in Rio

I have prepared, here, a report on the case of Dr. Monteiro, which I submitted to the mathematicians of this country and which intends to ask the Minister of National Education to support himself our efforts to get Dr. Monteiro to work again. If you think that this can be useful, I shall send the report to you asking you to have a look at it, eventually to sign it yourself or have it signed by Brazilian mathematicians and to transmit it afterwards to the dean in Rio de Janeiro and to the Ministry. -

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Thanking you more for your assistance in the matter of Dr. Monteiro and hoping to hear soon of you, believe me to be

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Jurado Beck

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