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Italian Institute of Historic Studies

The Director

Naples
Via Trinità Maggiore, 12
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Dear Professor D'Arms:

Thank you for your letter of November twenty-third. In my letter of November third, I had not mentioned fellowships because I was afraid I had already asked the Foundation for too much, but since you are kind enough to bring the matter up, I confess that it certainly would be a most useful thing to dispose of sufficient funds to enable us to give fellowships as soon as after the first year so that young men of promise can continue their researches for a longer period and finish their work .

I also have in mind your remarks on publications for which the Foundation ordinarily does not provide funds. I would like to set forth a fairly complete and concise plan as follows:

1) Library: The Foundation places at our disposal \$5,000 per year for three years, in all \$15,000. With this sum in mind the Institute prepares lists of books and reviews which are needed and sends them to the Foundation for the purpose of having the Foundation provide these items for the Institute.

2) Fellowships: The Foundation puts at our disposal the annual sum of \$1,000 for two or three study fellowships, either for Italy or abroad, these fellowships being for various periods of time as required by the research, and being given to specially qualified young men

who already have been at the Institute for one year, but who need further time to finish their work. The Institute will promptly notify the ^{Foundation of the} number of fellowships assigned, the names of the individuals receiving awards, the places where they work, and the subjects studied.

3) General Support to the Institute: The Foundation will provide a certain sum also for the general support of the Institute. I do not know whether the Foundation intends to give this all at once or in annual amounts. In case it is an annual sum, would \$300.00 per year be too much?

In connection with the above, I am sending you an official request from Senator Croce, President of the Institute.

I thank you very much for your interest in my behalf. I am about to send to the Press a large volume of which I am sending you a copy, as soon as it is out, I am continuing my work although in the last two months I have had many official duties in Rome. I hope soon to have a few months free for a research trip abroad and I shall write you beforehand. I am most grateful for your interest in my activities.

With best wishes for the New Year and with kind greetings,

Sincerely yours,

F. Chabod

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