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Dear Mr. Ervast:

Pardon the delay in replying to your letter of May 15th. I have been exceedingly busy and my correspondence has accumulated quite considerably. I read your letter with much interest, and we are very glad to be in touch with you.

You ask me in your letter whether I think the Tibetan correspondent has made a mistake in the place for the preparatory occult school, in placing it in Sweden. I do not imagine that he has. I know however, that no plans formulated are ~~easy~~ immutable from an occult standpoint. I do know that Sweden has a great future and that the Swedes are custodians of certain spiritual truths.

It would be quite impossible for me to say whether or not I believe that you are the disciple whom the Masters intend to use to found an occult school, but my experience of such work has been that the work do be done for the helping of humanity occurs out of a need and out of a life consecrated to the meeting of each duty and each need as it arises. I do not think that any very real and vital work/done by those who plan for themselves a big future program, and then set out to make that program a fact in manifestation. That this may be your work may be quite possible, but my private conviction is that it is the next generation that will evolve these schools and that all that you can do and that I can do, or that any of the Masters would-be helpers can do, is to ventilate the truth, teach the people, sow the seed and let others do the reaping. The day will come when sowers and reapers will rejoice together. In the meantime ours is the hard difficult tiring work out of which will grow in about fifty years time those schools of occultism mentioned in my book. I only write this as my personal idea. I write under no authority, and my words can be taken for what they are worth.

I have always been interested in my work in this country to see what ~~a mass~~ <sup>an amount</sup> of spiritual perception the Swedes and Fins have. There are a number of them in this country and many interested in occult work.

I have been much interested in what you tell me of your work. There are a number of societies of the Rosy Cross in this country, and I am wondering if the one that you have founded ~~is~~ in any way analogous to the one over here. We have also organised the Arcane School which is the endeavor to meet the needs of those who seek to study esotericism. I enclose a copy of my husband's little paper which will tell you something

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of our ideals and our objects. When the aim is the same and the devotion and spiritual endeavor are alike, there surely should be some ground on which different occult and esoteric bodies can give each other mutual cooperation so that there will be unity of help and idea though maybe not uniformity in teaching.

With kindest greetings,

Cordially yours,

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*Alice Bailey*