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Dear Friends:

I am very happy to be able to send the introduction to the book to those to whom it is dedicated and who are its co-authors.

Because we are now bound by contract with publisher I cannot send copies for each. Instead one copy for NEB and one for local organizers are being sent out. At the local meeting it should be read and discussed and if there are any concrete suggestions it must be sent air-special the very next morning.

You should also know that the frontierspiece will have the following two quotations on it:

"Freedom is so much the essence of man that even its opponents realize it...No man fights freedom; he fights at most the freedom of others. Every kind of freedom has therefore always existed, only at one time as a special privilege, another time as a universal right."--Karl Marx

"When individuals and nations have once got in their heads the abstract concept of full-blown liberty, there is nothing like it in its uncontrollable strength, just because it is the very essence of mind, and that as its very actuality... If to be aware of the idea--to be aware, i.e., that men are aware of freedom as their essence, aim and object--is a matter of speculation, still this very idea itself is the actuality of men--not something which they have, as men, but which they are."--Hegel

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