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Dear Prof. Diamond:

Ever since the mid-1960s when Biafra was fighting for an existence of its own, your magnificent article in the New York Review of Books attracted me as a view with which I found an affinity, not alone as seen in my letters from Nigeria, but as evident in my works on Marx. I was sorry you were out of town when I was in New York on my lecture tour on the Marx centenary. I had wanted to discuss the coming conference with you at that time.

What prompts this letter is that, now that the conference is only a month away, I would like some clarification about my participation in it. My colleague, Kevin Anderson, did, as you suggested, call Switzerland and spoke with a Dr. Rolf Homann, who informed him that I was scheduled to speak on Wed., Sept. 21. But it seemed that it was not for reading my paper, but for being a participant with several others in a "working group." While I have no objections to participating in such a workshop, I do not believe that one can develop a Marxist-Humanist philosophic view in a serious way in such less than an hour. Can you find some free time to give me more details about the agenda and the time allotted for my presentation?

Oh, yes, Kevin Anderson immediately airmailed a copy of my paper to Dr. Homann.

Yours,

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Dear Raya Dunayevskaya:

In answer to your letter of August 24th last, the final programs are at the very moment being distributed by the firm in Zurich. I am taking the liberty of sending you an interim program. Be assured you will be allotted time for your presentation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Stanley Diamond

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Enclosure

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