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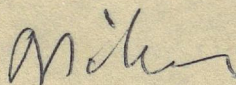
Dear Monkombu,

Many thanks for your letter of October 9th with the most welcome and important news that you approve of the nomination of Mostafa Tolba for this year's appropriate half of the Blue Planet Prize concerning which I hope you will be writing to the donors in Japan. It is also good news that you are happy about Prof. (indeed now) Oza if you mean that you feel he is likely to get that Award for which we have been trying for him for years and would not mind writing to that effect too. I think you have both the addresses and will not bother you with them again now.

Thank you so much for the honour and enlightenment of your Second Annual Report which fills me with admiration for what an individual can engender and you indeed are doing. I am placing it strategically as bedside reading for Arthur Westing when he stays here this coming weekend for the meeting of the World Council For The Biosphere whose future we have to decide as several Councillors said we should at least have a final meeting and this will be on the 24th of this month as indicated in the notice sent out some weeks ago.

All our best wishes and please let us know when next you come this way.

Yours very sincerely



Prof. Nicholas Polunin

PS Only last night I was sitting next to M.G.K.Menon who seemed in very good form though we did not speak much as my opposite numbers were Kassas and Martin Holdgate! However, there should now at least be some biological input into the International Academy of The Environment of which many good things may be expected.

* Main Ongoing Activities:

- 1) *Environmental Conservation* (EC, international quarterly journal)
- 2) International Conferences on Environmental Future (ICEFs)
- 3) Environmental Monographs & Symposia (EMSs)
- 4) Cambridge Studies in Environmental Policy (CSEPs)
- 5) Environmental Challenges: Paperback Original 'Readers by Leaders'
- 6) World Council For The Biosphere (WCB)
- 7) *World Who's Who in Environment & Conservation: Leading Specialists, Administrators, and Benefactors*
- 8) Biosphere Day, Fund, and Prize(s)

Other Activities or continuing Sponsorships etc. Include:

- 9) Supplements to Index of Titles and Authors in EC (1989 & 1994)
- 10) Best Paper prize or prizes (annually)
- 11) Follow-up of World Campaign for The Biosphere, 1982-
- 12) International Conferences on Waste Minimization & Clean Technology
- 13) World-wide correspondence *i.a.* encouraging environmental awareness
- 14) Baer-Huxley Memorial Lectures
- 15) Seeking funds for worthy projects and awards
- 16) Vernadsky International Centre for Biosphere Studies (Co-Founder)
- 17) International Society of Naturalists (INSONA) (Vice-President)