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Dr. Ignacio Gonzalez Casilla 136 Concepcion, CHILE

Dear Dr. Gonzalez:

Mrs. M. C. Migel has shared with us the content of your letter written to her of March 11, and we are very happy to write you on behalf of Miss Helen Keller.

It is entirely possible that you know by now that Miss Keller will be in the City of Concepcion from May 24 to 26 and that she is making a public address in your city. We are quite certain that you and the faculty of your institution undoubtedly will be welcomed to attend or otherwise participate in that or other meetings at which Miss Keller may appear.

We are certain that you probably are acquainted with Miss Margarita Ibanez, daughter of the President of Chile, and we would suggest that you ascertain from her any details about the local program which may not be already known to you and which you would like to have.

Miss Keller is looking forward to her visit to your city, and indeed she has been yearning for years to visit many parts of the great countries to the south of us in helping others develop ever increasing interest in the problems of the deaf and blind. If there is any more direct information which you feel we might be able to give you, please do not hesitate to communicate directly with us.

Very sincerely yours,

M. Robert Barnett Executive Director

MRB/s cc: Mrs. Migel Mr. Boulter