Dear Colleagues

In recognition of Hajo Holborn's extraordinary role in contemporary historiography and in response to a widespread interest among his friends and students, we are undertaking the preparation of a testimonial volume, to be presented to him on the occasion of his 65th birthday in 1967. We hope that you will be willing and able to collaborate in the enterprise.

Tou will find enclosed an outline of the project. We have essayed a definite organization, with assignment of topics, because it seems the only procedure apt to produce the unity and coherence requisite for an authentic book. For a volume appropriate to an historian who combines range and depth as fully as Hajo Holborn does, there is clearly a choice between clusters of disparate essays that match the diversity of his interests and a central topic that exemplifies his own search for meaning in human history. We have opted for the second of these alternatives because Hajo Holborn's scale of values renders it, in our judgment, the more fitting vehicle of appreciation. We have settled on The Responsibility of Power as the central topic because it is an abiding theme of his works that manifests both the breadth of his coverage across the traditional fields of history and his special interest in bringing the historically trained understanding to bear upon the crucial problems of our own times.

The theme will, we trust, enable each contributor to throw fresh light upon a particular historical figure or situation. The precise formulation of each subject listed in the prospectus will be, of course, the business of its author. You may want to analyze the figure or situation as such or you may prefer the more intensive analysis of a figure confronting a critical situation. You may even wish to select a different subject within the general conception of the project. We look forward to your response and shall incorporate its substance in the definitive draft of the outline which will be drawn up and distributed when the returns are in.

The volume must be published in 1967. The deadline for the submission of all contributions is therefore June 1, 1966. As soon as we have your answers, we shall make appropriate arrangements with a publisher and send you details partinent to the preparation of the manuscript.

You will share our hope that notice of this project will not come to Hajo's attention. The tribute will have its happiest effect if it can be presented to him as a surprise on a suitable occasion.

We should be grateful for an early response. Please feel free to communicate with either of the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

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