

Rome, April 29th 1947.

To  
President Leonard E. Read  
The Foundation for Economic Education  
SWINGTON-ON-HUDSON, NEW YORK (U.S.A.)

Dear President Read,

I greatly admired the rapidity of your travel and I also envied you, because my travel was not so rapid and happy. The real responsible of these sufferings is not the planned economy but the mad policy of a totalitarian government.

At first, people were used to say that Fascism was necessary to make the trains come in at due time: the result is that we have no more railways, bridges, neither trains. Considering the tremendous damages caused by the war, one must admit that much has been already reconstructed, but there is still so much to do.

I thank you very much for the book by Lecomte du Nony which I shall read with great interest. I was very glad to meet you and all the other eminent economists from the United States: these new acquaintances are one of the most precious advantages of the Mount Pélerin meeting.

Unfortunately my books are out of print and I am waiting impatiently for their new edition. But I am above all anxious to remain in touch with you and the other friends of Mount Pélerin.

With my best greetings,  
Most sincerely yours,

*Carlo Antoni*