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Volume I Status

We have received 80% of the text for Volume I and the remaining articles are promised shortly. We are very pleased with the degree of scholarship and effort put into the articles. After the semester rush is over at the end of the month, we will be able to make detailed comments on the structure of each article (some authors have already received these). Upon receipt by us of the revised article, we will begin the extensive editing phase. We are far above our word count at this point, so we must be careful to avoid duplication and superfluous information.

IMPORTANT: Any expenses for Volume I articles must be incurred by June 30, the end of the federal fiscal year. Please submit all verification of expenses in the original form to our office by July 1, 1982. Our administration demands original receipts, Social Security numbers (if U.S. citizens) and home addresses before we can claim reimbursement. Monies are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, and we are running quite low in several areas, so please report your claim promptly.

Volume II Status

Contracts are now on their way to the authors not already contracted. Enclosed you will find the revised outlines for Volumes I and II. Please note changes in Volume II organization and let us know if there is any problem with your section. Also, please notify us of any anticipated expenses as early as possible. Be sure to keep all receipts.

Volume III Status

In October we will be submitting our proposal to the National Endowment for the Humanities for funding for Volume III. (Volumes IV and V will be covered on a future grant.) We have a preliminary outline and have contacted some prospective authors. Please let us know if you have any ideas for The Cartographic Enlightenment, 1670-1800.

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Summer 1982

I will be at the Newberry Library in Chicago for the month of June teaching at the Summer Institute on Cartography, but the office will remain open and functioning. Please inform us of any address changes you have for the summer and feel free to write if we can be of help. We will not be contacting the full list of authors (no newsletters until fall), but will be keeping up with individual contributions. I am taking a sabbatical for the academic year 1982/3 in order to devote my full attention to our project. Brian Harley will be in Chicago and Madison toward the end of June.

Wingspread

The Johnson Foundation has granted us use of its conference facilities (Wingspread) in Racine Wisconsin in November of this year. This will take place during the two days in November preceding the Society for the History of Discoveries meeting in Madison (Wingspread-November 2-4; SHD-November 5-6). They have allocated modest travel and lodging funds for a conference consisting of Section Advisers, Brian Harley, authors and advisers in North America and myself to discuss the final phase of Volume I and possible problems with Volume II. We will send a report to you all about our progress at this meeting, and a specific letter to all those directly concerned with the conference in due course.

Admiral Avelino Teixeira da Mota

We report with great sadness the death of Admiral Avelino Teixeira da Mota. Admiral Teixeira da Mota will be remembered to many of us as a tireless, knowledgeable, original scholar and a wonderful friend. He was an Editorial Adviser and projected author on the Portuguese cartography of the Renaissance for this project, and his expertise in this area was unchallenged. We reprint below the obituary in The Times for 23 April 1982:

Vice-Admiral Avelino Teixeira da Mota, who died on April 1, was a remarkable scholar and a man of action, who in some ways resembled the Renaissance Portuguese pioneers about whom he wrote so well. He became successively an anthropologist, an ethno-historian, and a historian of cartography and of nautical science, who had few equals and no superiors in his chosen fields. He is perhaps best known as the co-author, with the late Armando Cortesao, of the truly monumental Portugaliae Monumenta Cartographica (6 vols, 1960-63). But he also published hundreds of articles, and scores of monographs and books, all of high quality, as remarkable for the width of their range as for the depth of their erudition.

A polymath who lectured fluently in Spanish, English, and French, he was a frequent visitor to the UK and the USA, as well as to Black Africa. He was an unassumingly modest man, always willing to help others, whether Portuguese or foreigners. His death at the height of his intellectual powers would have occurred even sooner, but for the devoted ministrations of his wife, which enabled him to continue his work until the very end.