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Professor Sergio Buarque de Hollanda
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Dear Professor Buarque de Hollanda:

Your letter of February 1 was one of the most pleasant surprises I have ever received. Your availability to accept a semester assignment next fall at Stony Brook was magnificent news. It is an opportunity which my colleagues and I are most anxious to take advantage of.

Accordingly and with the unanimous and enthusiastic approval of the members of the Department of History, I am pleased to invite you to serve as Visiting Professor of History for the fall semester of the 1966-67 academic year beginning in September 1966. I am authorized to offer as total compensation for this appointment the sum of \$9,000. The dimensions of the offer should convey to you how much we appreciate your splendid reputation and how anxious we are to have you join us as a visiting member of the faculty this fall.

As for teaching responsibility, we would suggest an upper division semester course (open to advanced undergraduates and graduate students) on the History of Brazil. This would have to be offered in English, and I am confident based on our correspondence and your forthcoming experience in Indiana that this should not pose a problem. Secondly, we would very much hope that you would be willing to conduct a "Reading Seminar" for graduate students on Brazilian historical literature. Unfortunately at this stage of their development, most of our graduate students will not be able to cope with instruction in Portuguese. This seminar probably would best be conducted in Spanish or in English--and the latter would make the instruction available to the largest number of students. For both of these courses, if you would provide us with a minimum basic reading list, we would endeavor to obtain as many of your suggestions as possible. There is a reasonably good selection of

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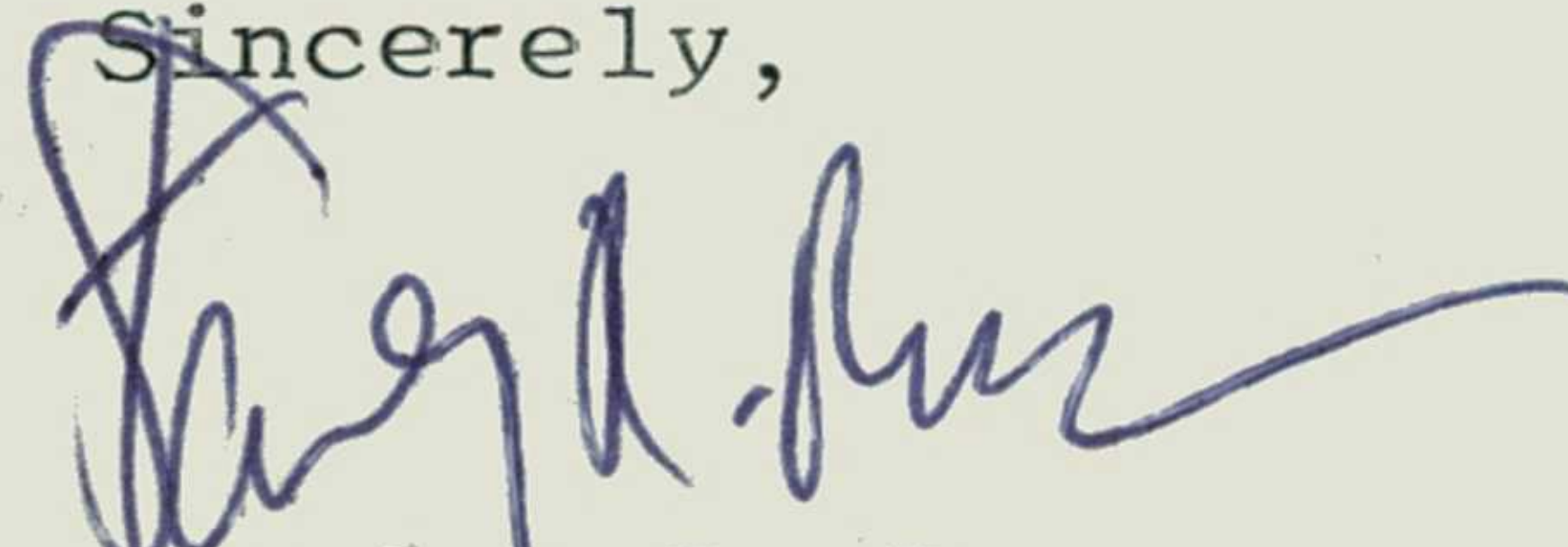
English language materials gathered by Richard Morse who was here before going to Yale. In addition, we have tried to buy a few basic sets in the Brazil field.

It should be possible--if you wish--to come to Long Island after the conclusion of the summer session at Indiana. In this way you could have the benefit of this attractive resort area in the late summer as well as access to New York City. The appointment would be effective September 1 and run through the end of January. Actual classes would begin around the middle of September.

We shall need to have the enclosed forms completed in order to process the appointment in our central offices. However, you may consider this letter, once we have received these completed forms and your letter of acceptance, as a firm commitment. The enclosed Oath of Office should be signed in the presence of the Dean of the College. This you can do later when you are here.

If you could give us some indication of your housing requirements, we could see what could be done to assist you in getting settled. Our faculty group interested in Latin American studies is growing steadily. We look forward to hearing from you very shortly that you will be joining us. With warmest regards and looking forward to the privilege of having you as a colleague, I remain,

Sincerely,



Stanley R. Ross
Acting Dean

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Enclosures