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FALL MEETING, 1974

Acapulco, Mexico — October 29 — November 3, 1974

MEMORANDUM FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

Room Reservations

The registration form and explanatory brochure were mailed to all members in April. Additional copies may be obtained from David C. Wood, Esq., Deputy Chairman, Messrs. Hill, Betts & Nash, One World Trade Center, Suite 5215, New York, N.Y. 10048 (212-466-4900).

The mailing was unavoidably delayed, and the deadline of May 1 stated in the registration form may be disregarded. However, returns to date have been very encouraging, and we urge you to register without delay. *We cannot guarantee the availability of rooms after July 15.* Thereafter, we will attempt to accommodate late registrants, but they may be disappointed because the hotel is usually fully booked at the time of our Meeting.

Air Transportation

The only charter flight will be from New York. Due to shortage of aircraft and steeply rising charter fares, no other charters can be arranged. However, GIT fares (see page 3 of the brochure) have become more attractive in that, although you must travel to Mexico with a group of at least 15 persons from each city, the group need not return together. The ITX fare mentioned in the brochure has replaced GIT in New York, Philadelphia and Detroit and is even more liberal in that the fare is available to individuals and no group is necessary.

The mechanics of making airline reservations, including the assembly of GIT groups and booking of ITX fares are handled for MLA entirely by Travel Consultants, Inc. ("TCI").

Climate and Clothing

In Acapulco the weather is tropical and light summer clothing is desirable. The ladies will find it convenient to bring an assortment of casual and sports wear for daytime use and cocktail and formal wear for evening. The social schedule calls for an informal cocktail party on the beach, two semi-formal cocktail parties, and a formal dinner dance. (Hopefully members will relay this information to their wives.) Gentlemen never wear ties and coats in Acapulco. You may wear your tuxedo to the dinner dance if you insist, but you may be the only one so attired. The typical Mexican dress shirt ("guayabera"), white slacks and white shoes are the customary evening dress.

In Conclusion

In October you will receive from TCI travel instructions and other last-minute details, together with the final program for our Meeting. Their representatives will meet members upon arrival at Mexico City and Acapulco and will be in attendance at all times.

Travel arrangements, room reservations, billing, payments, refunds, etc., are handled by TCI and your Committee has no knowledge of these matters. *Their Coordinator for our group is Miss Catherine Harmon, and any questions should be addressed to her.* The address and telephone number appear on the cover of the brochure. Of course your Committee stands ready to assist if necessary.

Our inspection trip to the Acapulco Princess Hotel has confirmed that it is a truly fabulous place, and that its personnel and those of TCI are thoroughly experienced and efficient in the handling of groups such as ours. This will undoubtedly be the outstanding Meeting in the history of the MLA. We know that you will not want to miss it. This will be the last communication from your Committee until we greet you in Acapulco.

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