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Airletter posted  
13.10.81 notifying  
of Cyprus offer from UN.  
for Nov 23-27.

d.a. Campuan Hotel  
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INDONESIA

12 October 1981

Dear Eva:

I trust you have received my long letter and enclosures dated 8 October, posted in Denpasar on Friday October 9.

I am now enclosing:

- (1) A letter of authority to Air India, Sydney Office, for the bearer of the letter to collect Aust \$101.00 in exchange for a Miscellaneous Charges Order (MCO) drawn on the Sydney Office of Air India. The MCO and the relevant ticket stubs are enclosed. Please keep the money to defray any expenses I may have caused you to incur on my behalf.
- (2) A letter of authority for the bearer to collect my mail held in the office of the Real Estate Agent, Keith Anderson, of Clovelly. Please pick up all the mail... and go through it for me. You should particularly look for:-
  - (a) personal letters;
  - (b) letters, but not circulars, from the US Agency for International Development (AID), UNCHS (Habitat), World Bank, Indonesian Government, UNCRD Nagoya, Japan, and other bodies which might be offering me assignments;
  - (c) maybe letters from Africa - Kenya or Somalia

You can open all the mail...in fact please do, so you can see what looks important or interesting. You may throw out or keep or give away the magazines and the advertising and the circulars, but if anything looks very interesting you might bring it with you to Cairo in December. You might be able to pick up another batch of mail just before you leave in early December... or send Andrew over to pick it up in his lunch hour or on one of his tours of inspections of real estate.

If you find anything immediately of interest and seeming to require attention, please telex me here in Bali. I have already received here a copy of a letter dated 7 August 1981 from the US Agency for International Development (AID) offering me a two year job in Sri Lanka, so don't worry about that one.

At the same time as you telex, you could post me a copy of the communication....keep the original or a copy to bring with you in December.... or at least keep the name and address of the sender, a note of the subject matter and the sender's reference numbers- or other vital details. I would be most grateful.

Bra: 12 October 1981.....2

I still haven't any news from U.N. in Nairobi, although I've cabled again asking them to put me out of my misery by telling me whether they are likely to want me in the near future.

Meanwhile, I'm planning to travel to Thailand... Bangkok and Chiang Mai in the North.... on my way over to Cairo. I'd like to give myself a month in Thailand, and I might go on to Cairo via Nairobi.

This means I have to buy myself some air tickets... unless the UN comes good soon and pays my fare to Ethiopia or Cyprus.

Shopping for air tickets in Bali is a bit difficult; Qantas offers a cut rate ticket Denpasar-Sydney for US\$370 one way or US\$740 return; and Thai Airlines offers a cut rate ticket to Bangkok from Jakarta for US\$291 ~~one way~~ one way, US\$582 return; Garuda has a monopoly of Denpasar-Jakarta, and charges US\$82.50 one way.

Thus one could fly Syd-Dps-Jkt-Sing-Bangkok for a total of  $\$370 + \$2.50 + \$291 = \text{US\$ } 743.50$  or US\$1,487 return, which = Australian \$1,293.70, return. These tickets would be valid for 12 months and flights can be altered at will. What does a similar ticket Syd-Bangkok with the same stopovers, return valid 12 months, cost in Sydney today? I'd like to know to test where the best bargains are.

How much is your adult fare Sydney-Rome-Tel Aviv-Cairo-Tel Aviv-Rome-Sydney? Is yours an APIM? Excursion? Full fare or what? can you delay your return flight, or does you forfeit the ticket if you don't fly on the ticketed flights on the correct dates? Who are you buying it through?

I assume that if I buy a ticket in Bangkok to go to Cairo, I shall need Cairo-Tel Aviv-Rome tickets so I can fly with you and Stephen on those legs. Is that correct? If it is cheaper for me to go to Rome first, please let me know where in Rome and when I could meet you and Stephen. That is unlikely but possible.

The normal IATA fare Bangkok-Rome is US\$1,423 one way US\$2846 return or Aust\$2,476. Bangkok-Cairo direct is US\$927 one way \$1845 return... Aust\$1,605 return. So unless I can get some cut rate in Bangkok, my Denpasar-Cairo flight will cost be US\$1,500.50 or Aust\$1,132 one way, plus Cairo-Tel Aviv-Rome-Cairo... unless I cut out Cairo on the way back and go straight to Nairobi, or return straight to Bangkok from Rome. The Cairo-Tel Aviv-Rome legs could cost US\$500 so it looks at the moment as if I have to be prepared to pay around US\$3,597 for the round trip Denpasar-Bangkok-Cairo-Tel Aviv-Rome-Bangkok-Denpasar. ~~that's Aust\$9,150.~~

I've asked the Denpasar office of Thai Airways to work out a fare for me, but I might do better in Bangkok, where I'm told that agents cut their commissions and where, say, Alitalia or EgyptAir might offer specials to Rome or Cairo.

Damn the inefficiency of the U.N. ! I had counted on them paying most of my fares, but never mind. I'll be there.

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12th October 1981.

The Manager  
AIR INDIA  
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AUSTRALIA.

Dear Sir:

AUTHORITY FOR BEARER TO COLLECT M.C.O. EXCHANGE COUPON  
No 085 4010 429734 FOR AUSTRALIAN DOLLARS \$101.00.

I enclose the above M.C.O. drawn on Air India Sydney Office payable to me, Mr W.G. Clarke, and request you to pay to the bearer of this letter the amount of Aust \$101.00 being the amount of the M.C.O.

I am now in Indonesia and am unable to call at your Sydney Office to collect the amount, so I am asking a member of my family resident in Sydney to do so.

The Sydney-Nairobi-Sydney ticket was originally purchased in Sydney. It included a longer than normal routing, and was further extended in mileage at the Air India Nairobi Office, and additional sums were paid for the extensions; however, on the return trip, the extensions were not used, and a shorter route was ticketed in Colombo by Swiss Air, which had the most direct route.... and the adjustments were made by Swiss Air in Colombo at the express instruction and request of Colombo Office of Air India.

Yours faithfully,

W.G. Clarke

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Keith Anderson Real Estate Pty Ltd  
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AUSTRALIA

Dear Sirs:

re: Mail redirected to your office from Box 423, GPO, Sydney,  
addresses to W.G. Clarke and/or Clarke Urban Systems.

Please give the bearer of this letter the boxful of mail for me that must have by now accumulated in a corner of your office since I last left Sydney in early June this year.

I am asking a member of my family to collect the lot from you, go through it and send me what seems to them to be important or interesting.

Thank you for putting up with the mail for so long. I will do what I can to reduce its volume in future and arrange for it to be picked up from you more frequently.

I'll be writing to you separately about a couple of tenancy details. I've received all your Statements and remittances.

Yours sincerely

George Clarke