

SHEILA HICKS

January 2, 1967

Dear Kenneth, Happy New Year to you
and Patricia. Since I have just re-
turned from Chile I thought you would
like to be reassured that I saw your
father in an optimistic, though suffering,
frame of mind. He was up and dressed
for lunch with us every day and
traveled to Vina on the same day we
left Chile so should be enjoying the
summer in an apartment on the
water's edge (just one block from
where Enrique and Juan Augustin pointed
out your old white house there).

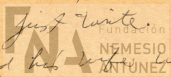
I can't tell you how much it meant
to me to be able to spend a few days
with him and your mother. Both
are so alert and quick witted that
they have all callers on their toes

at all moments. ⁻²⁻ Laura, your sister,
was present, too, with a quiet, dry
sense of humor. It was the first time
I had met her, ~~there~~ and I hope she visits
us ^{in Europe} - On Christmas eve I delivered
the records you gave me to Inez and
Manuel (Pablo was out) and they seemed
very touched - particularly Manuel.

I invited them to join me for a
promenade or tea etc. on another occasion
but Inez never called and Enrique
was a bit disappointed by her unnecessary
reserved aloofness (Gaius, as well, I
might add). So I was unable to see
Manuel again although I would have
liked to. She seemed very sweet!!

I'm sending these few lines to an
obscure United Nations address, hoping
it will reach you (as I lost my
wine-colored address notebook ?? in a
cab in between your studio and the 76th
Street apartment the night you were

Directing Matt's television show.
 Forgive me that my appointments, ~~and~~
 during the 36 hour New York stop-over,
~~interviews~~ were so irregular and unpre-
 dicable. I would have liked to
 have seen your recent paintings and
 spend a quiet half hour with you
 drinking another bloody mary. (We will
 try and schedule that for next
 December.). He will, no doubt, be
 returning to Chile this year for
 two to three months; exact dates
 undecided. If I can be of any further
 help in regard to the Mexican tour
 you are planning, just write. My
 youngest brother and his wife ^(JOHN HICKS) will be
 in Acapulco March 5th to 15th at
 Hotel Villa Vera in case you go to the
 coast. I would head to Oaxaca,



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Myself, Kough, and "Isla de Mujeres"
off the Yucatan, if time permits.

Wednesday I will
continue on back to
Paris and join Enrique
who flew directly back
for X-rays of his kidney
stone. He may need
surgery to repair that
problem as he
medicated he has taken
them past four months
don't seem to have
remedied it.

Orestobal
hit Santiago like a storm
and every one took heart to
their hearts. He was never
better. Jamie's house
schooled him for an acrobatic
career in Santiago in case he never
amounts to any thing superior.

always Sheila

Surroundings.

Remnants in a hut:

Very beautiful

Enrique and I went swimming with tracks
here in the midst of large schools
of fish and turtles. We slept in
bamboos in a hut.

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