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Nikos Stangos, Esq., Poetry Editor, Penguin Books, Ltd., 21 John Street, London, W.C.1

Dear Nikos Stangos,

I have just mailed a typed copy of my selection of about 40 pages, under separate cover. You should receive it just after receiving this letter.

In fact, on my calculations, the MS will take up 43 pages when printed in Penguin Modern Poets series format. In my calculations I allowed for one-line spacing between all titles and texts, for one-line spacing between each stanza too, on a standard of 32-33 lines per printed page. If 43 printed pages is too much, please let me know and I'll cut the selection down a bit.

As you will see, the manuscript contains three new poems (I WILL NOT FORGET, MISTER ANT and BLACK SAIL), and is differently arranged from the previous selection I made. I've changed everything to English spelling too.

I hope the MS will satisfy you as it is, and that you enjoy reading and re-reading the poems.

With warmest wishes,

Yours,

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