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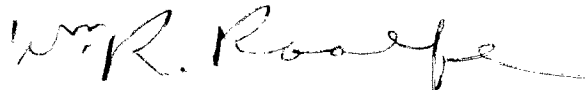
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Gentlemen:

Herewith I am enclosing an announcement of a meeting to be held in New York City on June 24, 1959 to consider the creation of an International Association of Law Libraries. This step has been taken because a number of persons believe that the time has come to create an agency with an international orientation to serve the needs of individuals and institutions around the world who are concerned with the task of assembling and making legal materials, collected on a multinational basis, available to scholars and practitioners.

You are cordially invited to attend the meeting and I sincerely hope you can arrange to be present. Your assistance in the creation of the proposed international organization as well as your participation in this important work would be most welcome. A reply to this letter will be appreciated as it will help the Preparatory Committee in making its plans. We will be glad to supply you with further information at your request.

Yours sincerely,

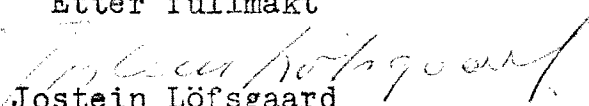


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ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING TO CONSIDER THE CREATION OF AN
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

A meeting to consider the creation of an International Association of Law Libraries will be held in New York City on June 24, 1959. The meeting is sponsored by the American Association of Law Libraries, which has undertaken to make the necessary preparatory arrangements, and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York is serving as a joint host.

This step is the outgrowth of a preliminary study, made by a special committee of the American Association of Law Libraries. The Committee found that no existing international organization is qualified to serve the interests of institutions and individuals in various parts of the world responsible for the systematic development and servicing of legal collections developed on a multinational basis.

Although the American Association of Law Libraries is acting as the sponsor of the meeting, the primary purpose is the creation of an organization with a distinctly international orientation and the nature of the organization to be created and the policies to be followed will be determined by those in attendance. Obviously, it is important to have present delegates from as many institutions and countries as possible.

Persons interested in attending the meeting or in the program and activities of the proposed international organization should write to Wm. R. Roalfe, Northwestern University Law School, 357 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago 11, Illinois, for further information.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST TO DELEGATES FROM OTHER COUNTRIES

The organization meeting referred to above is being held during the annual conference of the American Association of Law Libraries (Monday to Thursday, June 22-25). Delegates may, therefore, conveniently attend the various sessions of that conference to which they are cordially invited. They will also have the opportunity to meet law librarians from all parts of the United States and some from Canada.

Another program of interest is an Institute which will be held immediately prior to the annual conference of the American Association of Law Libraries, namely, from June 15-19. The general topic of the Institute is "Cutting Costs in Acquisitions and Cataloging." Each session will be conducted by a specialist in the particular field involved.

New York City is, of course, also a great library center. Among the many libraries in New York are the library of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and the law libraries of Columbia and New York Universities. In addition, the United Nations is an institution

of interest not only generally but because many of its activities and publications are concerned in one way or another with the law.

Finally, Washington. D. C., with the Library of Congress and its great Law Library, and with many other libraries of interest to lawyers and legal scholars, is reasonably close to New York City.

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