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Dear Nat:

No, I'm not in Hong Kong--this I "stole" from the place I did my research-- but I am "incommunicado"--working on my book in the silence of Algona. I'm interrupting myself in order to ask whether you could do me a few favors, all on the one question of books.

First, is it possible that you would have a copy of the Summer 1957 issue of the New Internationalist? If not, could you photocopy from it one article? (I'll pay, of course) It is one that you should also wish to own as it is a translation of the only chapter of Lukacs's famous Geschichte und Klassenbewusstsein that has been translated into English. It was entitled What is Orthodox Marxism? and translated by Michael Harrington for that Summer 1957 issue of the NI, and I lost my copy, which I absolutely must have as I need the quotation where Lukacs compares CAPITAL to the ICGIC. I'd be ever so grateful to you.

Secondly, I forgot the name of one very big/store in NY that specializes in foreign books--I believe it is somewhere on 11th St. and almost any one in the academic community would know that, though it used to specialize in French and Spanish only, it now does also German. In any case, I would want you to check whether the books I mention below are available, or they could order for me from abroad. In respect to the works by Hegel I mention I know that they could order the whole jubilee edition, and the same is true of Marx's Gesamtausgabe. However, I cannot afford anything so expensive, therefore I wish to know whether the volumes could be ordered individually. In the case of Hegel, I'd be willing to buy the 3 that make up the Encyclopaedia, although actually all I wish is the 3rd volume, The Philosophy of Mind (not to be confused with the Phenomenology of Mind, which is altogether a different work.) In any case, the formal title of the 3 volumes together is Encyclopaedia der philosophischen Wissenschaften im Grundriss, Zum Gebrauch seiner Vorlesungen. The most authoritative edition of the Samliche Werke: Jubilau.sausgabe in 20 Bänden is ed. by Hermann Glockner, Stuttgart, but, as I said, that probably does not sell except in the entire 20 vols. which I do not want; It is possible that the Samliche Werke: Kritische Ausgabe that was edited by Georg Lasson does sell separately since the Encyclopaedia was published both in 1905 & since then by Felix Meiner, Hamburg (1955), so why not ask for that edition which is any case superior. If they have to order from Hamburg, please ask how long they estimate for an order to be filled.

On Marx, I'd really prefer Russian, it is the very first volume that I'm interested, the one that contains his PH. D. thesis on the difference between the Philosophies of Democritus and Epicurus and perhaps there your friend in the 4 continents bookshop can help, although I have found them very bad when it comes to works of scholarly interest rather than the latest propaganda. What I do know is that the East Germans have recently published a quite reasonable edition of the whole Gesamtausgabe; please find out the price for me.

Finally, there is one individual work that I want you to order for me, because that one I know I can afford: Adorno, T.W., Aspekte der Hegelschen Philosophie, Berlin & Frankfurt, 1957.

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help to a work in. Thanks are very unimportant words for such indispensable progress. My best to your better half. Yours,