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Dear Slava,

On this day of your glorious ninetieth birthday, 7 September 1979, we the undernamed North American scholars and students of Central European and Czech history and culture pay you heartfelt tribute.

We are mindful of your illustrious scholarship, your commitment to teaching and enlightenment, and your role as a human link between Czechoslovakia and the United States in the fields of pedagogy and psychology.

We salute your memorable career in which your thirty-second book, the fourth volume of your great work <u>Ontogeneze lidske psychiky</u>, appeared when you were already eighty-four.

We wish you peace of mind and a joyous celebration of this unforgettable occasion.

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Drahy Slavo,

V den Tvých slavných devadesatých narozenin, 7. zaří 1979 my, podepsaní severoameričtí vedci a studenti středoevropské a české historie, vzdavame Ti z plného srdce hold.

Jsme si vedomi Tvého vynikajícího vzdělaní, Tve oddanosti k učení a osvětě, Tve ulohy jako lidské spojky mezi Československem a U.S. na poli pedagogiky a psychologie.

Zdravime Tvou pametihodnou životní dráhu, ve které Tva tricata druha kniha, čtvrty svazek Tvého velkého díla Onto... vyšla, když jsi byl již čtyri a osmdesatník.

Přejeme Ti klid mysli a radostné oslavy teto nezapomenutelné příležitosti.

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Dear Colleague:

In 7 September 1979 PhDr Václav Příhoda, formerly professor of pedagogy and developmental psychology at Charles University, will be 90 years old. (Ref. Ottův Slovník naučný, Dodatky, V/i, p. 131)

A major figure in Czech psychology, Dr. Příhoda lives in Prague, blind and mourning the death two years ago of his Wife of over 50 years, the American born, late Melissa (née) Clark Phelps. His mind is clear and rational, his body still sound from years of exercise and self-discipline.

I feel that Dr. Prihoda will be deeply grateful for an expression of remembrance by American scholars. Accordingly, I am writing to a dozen academic colleagues to ask whether they would consent to have their names included in a letter to be dispatched to Dr. Prihoda on 21 August 1979.

The letter will read: "On this day of your glorious ninetieth birthday, 7 September 1979, we the undersigned American scholars and students of Central European and Czech history and culture pay you heartfelt tribute. We are mindful of your illustrious scholarship, your commitment to teaching and enlightenment, and your role as human link between Czechoslovakia and the United States in the fields of pedagogy and psychology. We salute your memorable career in which your thirty-second book, the fourth volume of your great work, Ontogeneze lidské psychiky, appeared when you were already eighty-four. We wish you peace of mind and a joyous celebration of this unforgettable occasion."

If you consent to attach your name to this letter, please write to me immediately saying so. Indicate how you wish to be listed (full name, position or rank, affiliation, location). Your letter must be in the mail no later than 15 August to insure delivery on time. I know that some colleagues will not read this, because of vacations, until too late, and I shall regret that.

I shall attempt to have the journal <u>East Central Europe</u> publish an appreciation of Dr. Příhoda's career in a future issue.

Sincerely.

Stanley B. Winters Managing Editor

(Any response from Dr. Prihoda will be sent to you in copy)