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Mr. Robert von Sandor
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Sweden

Dear Mr. von Sandor,

That one night in Brussels where I enjoyed the Hungarian gipsy music was truly fantastic. Thank you very much.

Please send an official letter to the Japanese Foreign Ministry, as per the copy enclosed herewith, in connection with your request to send a Kendo instructor to Sweden. I myself will see to it that the Kendo technique of the instructor is good. But I would like you to tell me, in a concrete manner, what sort of personality you are looking for in the instructor we will be sending you. An earnest person? A cheerful and lively person? A strict instructor? A teacher? A policeman? Looking back on our past experience, we can say that the selection of the right person is a very difficult task. For example, Saito-sensei, is thoroughly versed in the philosophy of Kendo, but since he never learned the language, it has been quite difficult for him to pass on his knowledge to his students.

With my best wishes to your wife and Douglas, I remain,

Sincerely yours,



T. Kasahara