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Negras, but I think these can wait, especially as the former place is in Mexico and from what I hear I should think there might be some objection to work being continued there, for I understand that the Mexican government have obtained knowledge of the fact that the lintel, No.2, has been transported through Carmen to the United States. On the other hand Tikal, if I understand aright, is in Guatemala and the government of Guatemala have given the Peabody Museum a right to explore and excavate in any part of their territory.

The above are Professor Putnam's and my own views. If, however, you have anything to say to the contrary or have any advice to give, we shall be most happy to listen to it.

The understanding in regard to your work, expenses and salary will be the same as that entered into for the previous expeditions, namely, a payment of \$3,000. to you in United States currency, which will provide for your salary and all expense for a year.

Please let me know whether the above is satisfactory to you and believe me

Very sincerely yours,

Mar 11. 1902