

18th October 1968

Dear Robert, dear Steeve,

Here are a few rolls in the parcel. I also prepared an other parcel with letters and photos. I prefer to split the risk that way, because if I put all the documents in only one parcel and if it falls in the water when trying to send it to a fishing boat or a cargo ship, then everything would be lost.

I do hope all these rolls are OK. Please develop the 2 rolls marked « Pierre Lavat » and use everything you want, and send these 2 rolls to Lavat, Revue Bateaux, 71 rue Fondary Paris 15° tel SEGure 1185. Please also let him have any other photographs he wants for his nautical publication. Pierre is a very reliable friend of mine, he never let me down since I know him and work for him (articles)

You have been 100 % confident with me, and I am 100 % confident with you about these photos and log book. I could understand that you are decent people working in news paper (many news paper are not decent, you know that better than I) and I ask you not to make me look what I am not. I think you should contact James MOORE from Adlard Coles Ltd tel Regent 8080. Jim knows me fairly well # and he could write something sensible about this voyage. Anyway, that is your baby, but I do hope you will not make this sound like a race to the end of oneself , which is much more like it. Please do not make it smell bad !

If Jacques Arthaud contact you for photographic documents, please be good to him. He is my french publisher and he may need some good photos for his business.

Kind regards

Bernard

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understand many things which cannot be felt by somebody who is not a seaman.

PS Also let James Moore have some good photos if he needs any for the publicity of my last book which will probably be on the English market by March I think.

NB In the enclosed rolls, there is an Island. It is Trinidad Island, about 30° West and 21° South which I passed very close the 29th September. I have to close the shore, expecting some boat to come, because I wanted to send you a first parcel from them.