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Dr. Jose Manuel Naredo Perez  
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Dear Dr. Naredo Perez:

Your very good letter of December 12, 1987 and the volume which you graciously sent me, arrived here a few days after I returned (December 22, 1987) from a symposium in Mons (Belgium). The fate had it that my wife had to be hospitalized on December 27, and for ten days she was between life and death. After surgery in extremis she is still in the hospital making terribly slow progress. Since I stayed near her bed from morning till night, I was unable to turn my attention to other things, which accounts for my delay in writing you immediately as I wanted to do.

My knowledge of Spanish is limited to some reading ability. It will take me some time before I could get to the meat of your volume. But I already know of your discovery of Podolinski and the fine presentation of his thoughts. I mentioned your paper with a favorable stress in at least two of my articles. By looking now only at the table of contents of your volume, I am happy to see that while considering the historical thread of the entropic problem, you have also marshalled the analytical essence of the problem in a comprehensible way that, to my knowledge, has no parallel in the tide of the new contributions in the field. I really hope that your volume will find a greater influence by its translation in English (the scientific vernacular of today).

Through a separate mail, I am sending you a copy of a recent volume about my thesis together with a couple of reprints. (By the way, I believe that if any Spanish scholar would like to have a copy of the work by Demetrescu and Dragan, if they write to the editor in Milano, he will mail them a complimentary copy.)

With my heartfelt thanks and all the good wishes for your further success, I am,

Sincerely and cordially,

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