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Dear Saul and Xavier,

We appreciate and thank you for your letter of August 15, 1994, and the very kind and warm things you had to say about your visit to GSO. You may be sure that you will always be welcomed in the same spirit.

We discussed your letters at the September 15 meeting of the AAWS Board of Directors and would like to report to you concerning AAWS' position.

As we have previously advised you from the time that countries other than the U.S./Canada first became capable of publishing AA literature, our policy has been to grant the sole right to publish AAWS copyrighted literature to only one service structure in each country. Our licensing agreements have also included the requirement that the licensee take the necessary actions to protect the copyrights which were licensed. Changing the policy at this time could have serious effect on Alcoholics Anonymous worldwide

For these reasons AAWS does not believe it can reverse its historic position regarding licensing only one entity in a country, nor can it intervene in the legal action concerning the license in your country.

While we cannot take side in an internal dispute, we are, as I indicated during your visit, deeply concerned for AA unity in your country. As all of us know, AA unity is our most precious possession and vital to our mission and primary purpose - carrying the message to the alcoholic who still suffers.

The Central Mexicana Board has told us that they have an earnest desire to meet with you to attempt to discuss and resolve differences. You indicate that your delegates are "open to dialogue." We sincerely and prayerfully hope that a way can be found whereby some discussion can commence.

With warm regards

/s/

George Dorsey
General Manager