Thursday
April 6, 1978

TO PARIS

Dearest Mrs. Rubinstein,

So good to hear your voice from Marbella - and I hope all the good weather there refreshed you and relaxed you as much as possible. As I told you, our weather is just not to be believed any more - we just expect the unexpected.

I made all the telephone calls -(Mrs. Bacon will be in the hospital another week,) Eva said....Mrs. Knopf (and Mr. Knopf) send their love - "and don't worry about not writing...and Mrs. Rabwin may be in Israel at present with her husband.", Mr. and Mrs. Flagler send their love - and same message. They all thank you for your thoughtfulness in calling. (I sent Mrs. Bacon a card, personally, too.) So sorry for her. I called Eva and Alina - both fine....Mrs. Krance will be leaving New York on May 4th - (what good luck her daughter had in that car accident!) - and hopes you may be thinking in terms of being here for the wedding on the 28th.

Am enclosing two checks - Morgan Manhattan, and one incomplete for Green Thumb - which I will fill in when bill for Mrs. Bacon comes. (all statements re H.H. account OK). (I meant to say that to date have only Alina's bill) I pictured you so much in Spain - and I should have asked to be remembered to Pepe, and Pepa. Am glad the casita will bring you some income.

Mrs. Rubinstein, you cannot imagine how touched I am by your so kind and generous offer and proposal about Spain this year again - and I am so torn - but I find that things seem to fall apart when I'm away - also, this year, various branches of my husband's Texas family have taken him up on his invitations to come north - and several of them are making plans. We are really so far behind on repairs to the house because of the weather and other things - rainy weekends, unexpected set-backs, etc., that we really don't know where to begin - we find now that long weekends are just about our speed any more - whereas we used to work seven days a week from morning to night on the place. But I want you to know I treasure your wanting me again from the bottom of my heart - your incredible kindness ~~cannot~~ brings me to tears - I only pray you will understand. How I wish things were better with you - you deserve only the very best in life...

I hope all went well in Geneva - I know the difficulties in making plans...I think of you constantly - and everyone does - and everyone is so appalled and unbelieving that things do not change. You are so loved by so many -

...Mr. Namith continues to be pleasant to work with - his daughter recently got married - he has just had a book published in Paris - "L'Atelier de Jackson Pollock" (should be featured in the Zabriskie Gallery). Much work on it, from here.

Again, thank you for everything - and for being you.

Always with love,

CHC

P. S. Very IMPORTANT -
To my dismay, a mystery re the April 15th check for Mrs. de Stuckenbergh. I find ~~did~~ do not have it with the July 15th check (#891) and the October 15th check #892) I have called Mrs. de Stuckenbergh to see if by any chance it could have gone

(just here after writing the above + preparing to send Mrs. de S's check)

to her with her January 15th check. It did not. (She has had colds this winter, shingles still hurt.) As I am so, so careful with your checks the only thing I can think of is that somehow this particular check was left out when you were making out the four 1978 checks and that, stupidly, I did not realize only three were drawn and not four. I so hate to bother you with this but could you check the register and note whether the January 15th check was #889, and, if so, all is OK - if not, and the April 15th check was drawn - not O.K. — or 890!

After writing all the foregoing I have ascertained from Miss Bangert the following: "Cashed" (that is, debited to your account):

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| | * #957 - cashed ~~in~~ January 24th | 600.00 | Mrs. de Stuckenberg?? | |
| (No dates on these | #935 - " " February | 600.00 | Miss "hitestone?(salary | |
| checks per bank | #937 - " " March | 600.00 | " | " |
| computer) | #938 - " " March | 600.00 | " | " |

*The above numbers although seemingly at variance are all correct. (we are trying to figure how a #957 could come before the two checks I now have,#891 and 892).

Mrs. de Stuckenbergh did receive the January 15th check. (And usually I keep a record of the numbers!)

Strangely, to my dismay, there does not appear on the computer the numbers 889 ~~xxxx~~ (or 890 which I had assumed were the checks for Jan. 15th - 889 not April 15th - 890 (could not be cashed yet) (and, as I said, I have the 2 for 891 and 892 - July, Oct.

You cannot imagine how I hate to bother you with this with all you have to do - but the only possibility I can think of with the January 15th check which Mrs. de Stuckenberg did receive was that you numbered that one 957??? I remember you were revising your register, etc., at the hotel one day. And, of course, most important, if you do see that no April 15th check was drawn would you ~~xx~~ draw another one and send it to me so I can get it to Mrs. de St. as soon as possible. She understands the delay. Please forgive me - but it does seem such a mystery.

Your very bothered Mrs. C.