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Dear Stephan

Here is one of the first copies of the second edition of our Everest Map, just off the press in Zurich at the end of the first week in June.

A number of minor changes have been made in the nomenclature of the basic map, to take into account what we now believe to be the common usage at the present time in both China and Nepal. In a few places where the two names are continually used we have included both.

As you can also see, we have devoted a great deal of effort and research to the preparation of an entirely new back. On a two-times enlargement of the Everest area itself, we now show all of the routes by which it has been climbed till the end of 1990---as reported to us by all those who actually did it. This mini-history includes the date on which the ascent of each route was achieved, the nation involved, the names of those who actually reached the summit and also the names of principal members of the support party. We believe that this information will be of great value and interest to a great many people.

We owe heartfelt thanks to you and all the many others who have helped in this lengthy and intricate task---not only for all that had to be done to prepare this new edition, but we also send renewed gratitude to all those who worked so tirelessly in the preparation of the first edition three years ago. This is now in the hands of many millions of people worldwide, through the collaboration and generosity of the National Geographic Society, His Majesty's Government of Nepal and the People's Republic of China.

Ever Gratefully and Sincerely,

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