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FULL ARCHIVAL REFERENCE: Deutsches Literatur Archiv, Marbach am Neckar, A: Sternberger Mappe 1091 1989.10.1255/1-5

PERSON: Helmut Coing

SHORT DESCRIPTION OF CONTENT: Three letters from Dolf Sternberger to Helmut Coing.

PERSON VISITING ARCHIVE: Tommaso Beggio

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NOTES ON THE ARCHIVAL SOURCE:

A folder containing many documents and letters regarding Dolf Sternberger. Among them, three letters Sternberger wrote to Helmut Coing (both dated to 1956). Almost all the documents are typewritten and some of them are numbered.

1. Deutsches Literatur Archiv – Letters from Sternberger to Coing, A: Sternberger Mappe 1091 1989.10.1255/1-5.

Letter written on the 22nd of May, 1956, from professor Sternberger to Coing. The letter, typewritten, is one page long, but it is numbered (n. 909; almost all the documents of the folder are numbered).

Sternberger congratulates with Coing for his manuscript on "Die Lage der deutschen Hochschulen", a text that describes the situation of the University in Germany at the time. He adds he would be glad if he could in some way to contribute, perhaps writing something about the topic. But there is a problem regarding the too high number of pages of the manuscript, that makes the publication very difficult, if not impossible. Sternberger suggests Coing to reduce of a half, or maybe more, the text, in case cutting the part of the historical Introduction. Sternberger then asks Coing if he knows – and could tell him – why nothing had been said to him about the ceremony in remembrance of Sigmund Freud.

2. Deutsches Literatur Archiv – Letters from Sternberger to Coing, A: Sternberger Mappe 1091 1989.10.1255/1-5.

Letter written on the 2nd of June, 1956, from professor Sternberger to Coing. The letter, typewritten, is one page long, but it is numbered (n. 1022; almost all the documents of the folder are numbered; Tommaso Beggio: the numbers of the letters are not progressive).

In this – short – letter Sternberger thanks Coing for having sent him the manuscript, but in a shortened version, as Sternberger asked in the previous letter of the 22nd of May, 1956 [Tommaso Beggio: see the previous letter].

3. Deutsches Literatur Archiv – Letters from Sternberger to Coing, A: Sternberger Mappe 1091 1989.10.1255/1-5.

Letter written on the 11th of September, 1956, from professor Sternberger to Coing. The letter is typewritten and one page long, but it is numbered (n. 1561; the numbers of the letters are not progressive, see note about the previous letter). Sternberger sends Coing the copy of a letter addressed to professor Searls in London. Coing himself encouraged this initiative. Sternberger then reports of a meeting he had with Hess in Godesberg and in conclusion he thanks Coing for the manuscript he is going to send him by the following Monday, the 17th of September.