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Dear Sérgio,

We have just returned home after a beautiful trip through Brazil. Humberto the journalist with TV Bandeirantes tricked me on to his television program on "a moda"--perhaps you saw it. We then left for Cuiaba where we stayed for just one day, long enough to eat pacu and drink guarana, then we flew to Porto Velho. We were lucky to find a little man motor and we took a five day trip down the Madeira route to Manaus. We enjoyed the trip immensely and I think I got a very good idea of what it felt like to sail the Madeira in the 18th century %x (complete with carapana and pium, eating tambaqui and pirarucu, watching the botos, stopping in Borba, and all that). We stayed briefly IN Manaus and Belem. In Belem we bought a baby otter (lontra) which we will have sent to the States soon.

I am very interested to hear your reactions to my dissertation. (I forgot to mention that I will have to check into copyright regulations here in the States before authorizing publication in Brazil.) Please send me any criticisms, additionsm or corrections that you think the dissertation needs. I will probably want to look it over one more time for possible changes before it can be published.

Martha and I wish to thank you very much for your hospitality. We sedd our love to your wife and family.

um abraço,