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Dr. Hector P. Garcia 401 Peerman Street Corpus Christi, Texas 78411

Dear Dr. Garcia:

We appreciate the interest that prompted you to write the National Geographic Society.

I have enclosed a publication order list and have checked our books <u>America's Historylands</u> and <u>America's Beginnings</u>, as they contain information on Coronado and De Soto. Perhaps you can refer to these books in your local library. <u>America's Historylands</u> contains a United States Historical Map which I have also checked on the enclosed list. De Soto's route through the southeastern United States in 1539-1543 is traced on this map, as is Coronado's route through the southwestern United States from 1540-1542.

In addition, the August 1968 issue of the magazine contains a map on page 148 showing the trails of Coronado, Cabeza de Vaca, and Ibarra through Mexico. Perhaps you can refer to this issue in a library or private collection of the Geographic.

I have also noted our Close-Up: U.S.A. map of Alaska on the enclosed publication order list.

You may wish to consult the cumulative index to the National Geographic in your local library for listings of articles on explorers, discoverers, and navigators.

For more detailed maps of the explorations of De Soto and Coronado, you may wish to write to the Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress for any assistance they may be able to provide. Their address is as follows:

> Geography and Map Division Library of Congress 10 First Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20540

Thank you for writing. It was a pleasure to be of assistance.

Sincerely yours,

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