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Suffolk.

10th June 1972.

The Secretary,  
Anglo-Catalan Society,  
Department of Hispanic Studies,  
The University,  
Sheffield.

Dear Sir,

The existence of the Anglo-Catalan Society has just been brought to my attention by the Andorran tourist office, from whom I have been seeking information about Andorra, and I should be glad if you would send me some information about the society.

My interest is in Andorra. Following a recent flying visit to the country a few months ago when I had business in Toulouse, I have had the idea of writing a book about it, covering all aspects - history, language, literature, arts, trade, industry, tourism. Not a weighty book for the scholar, nor a guide-booky pamphlet for the package-tourist, but something between - a good-humoured serious study for the intelligent general reader. Whether or not I shall actually do the book depends on what my literary agent can discover about the market prospects, and it will be some time before I get his answer, but in anticipation of a favourable verdict I am already setting out to obtain information.

I don't know whether through the society I might be able to learn something about Andorra itself, but it would help me if I could pick up some Catalonian background, for quite a lot of what there is to be said about Andorra will require a description of the setting against which it is to be seen. Moreover, a lot of the material I shall have to study exists only in Catalan, so I shall have to acquire a reading knowledge of that language. Although I am finding one can go a fair way by guessing French or Castilian cognates, the method has its limitations as well as being tedious.

I should be grateful for general information about the society. Also, if you could tell me of a Catalan-English, Catalan-French, or Catalan-Castilian dictionary I should appreciate it. Blackwell's, Foyle's, and the Andorran tourist Bureau tell me that they do not know of any such dictionary, but I can't believe there isn't one.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,

Dr. R.A. Waldron

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1st answer.)

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Good idea