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Dr. Alfred Kidder, II  
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Dear Dr. Kidder:

Thank you for your letter and the information about Tiahuanaco's radiocarbon dating.

Concerning my question to the possibilities of having some samples of radiocarbon from N.W. Argentina, I believe was a misunderstanding, due to my poor management of English.

The problem is the following:

1. I have 11 samples from different periods and different sites belonging to the archaeological sequence of N.W. Argentina.
2. As all the C14 laboratories in the States has plenty of geological and archaeological samples to be checked, I thought that it will be easier if I send only two or three samples to each laboratory. Is very doubtful than any one

will take as many as 11 samples, as is that could be the case, it will take longer than submitting the samples to several laboratories.

The last procedure is what I have adopted.

3. In no case the samples that I will send to your laboratory will be reduplication of samples already checked.

I plan to go back to Argentina next March, so to me will be good enough if I can have the samples checked for that time, and I really will appreciate any possibility of doing so.

As I have only three samples left, I think with those I will be able to complete a first radiocarbon checking of my sequence.

According with my last letter I plan to visit your laboratory, that will be after the Americanist Congress in Costa Rica, I will appreciate immensely if you tell me when you will be in Philadelphia after that meeting.

Thank you again, your sincerely: