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Miss Maria de Lourdes Pintasilgo,
Av. Inf. Santo, lote 4-5 D-C,
Lisboa 3,
Portugal.

Dear Miss Pintasilgo,

Thank you very much for your letter. I am delighted that you are willing to write a chapter, and I fully concur with the way you propose to treat the subject.

I have not, so far, told anyone how long I want their articles to be. This is very rash of an editor, but on the other hand I do not think that anyone I have invited is at all likely to pad what they write with unnecessary embellishments merely to make the article longer, and I would rather that each contributor felt free at this stage to deal with the subject in the way that they feel it requires. Should it later appear that the publishers think the book is going to be too long, I hope you will none of you object to pruning to reach the required size, but I think we are more likely to get a satisfactory book if all the articles are initially written at the full length the authors feel they need for the subject. I have a sort of feeling that if we do this we probably won't need to do much pruning anyway, but that is perhaps hope rather than faith!

As to when the article should be ready, I hope to collect them all by this autumn, but I am still one or two contributors short, so there may be a hold up, but I hope not.

I think I am going to change, or rather expand the title to "The Dignity of Women and the Heresy of Feminism". My intention certainly is not to be negative as I explained in my last letter, and I am afraid the original title does appear negative. The difficulty is that the opposite of a heresy is the fulness of eternal truth, and it is difficult to find any single phrase which puts positively the negative of "The Heresy of Feminism" but I hope my proposed new title avoids most of the dangers.



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With my grateful thanks for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Bruce

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