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Dear madam/sir,

I would like to draw your attention to the following. I am writing to you in the English language, since I am a Dutch citizen and have no command of the Finnish and very little command of the Swedish language, for which I offer my apologies.

It is so that I am busy with a thorough research into the history of my family. I compiled and published one book on the Swedish noble family (Von) Meijerfeldt and another on the Dutch family Von Meijenfeldt.

One of the main issues in the third book I am working on will be the possible link between my great-great-grandfather Johan August von Meijenfeldt (1760-1835) and the last Swedish count Johan August (von) Meijerfeldt (1725-1800).

I already studied the testament of the count (in the Stadtarchiv in Stralsund) and a lot of his personal letters (in the Riksarkivet in Stockholm).

There is another source: the letters countess Lovisa Augusta Meijerfeldt-Sparre through earthbisshop Tengström offered to your university in the year 1817. According to the preface in the book of Gabriel Rein, *"Kriget i Finland åren 1788, 1789 och 1790"* (Helsingfors 1860), the count Meijerfeldt received letters from the King and his brother the Duke of Södermanland. Since there should be one layer with the seals of the Meijerfeldt and Sparre family and the text *"Privata Brevver ifrån Generalarna m.m. som vidare böra genomses"*, it is possible there are some letters of interest for me.

Carl von Meijenfeldt (1815-1899), the son of the first Dutch Von Meijenfeldt, wrote one letter on this issue in the year 1876. The letter contains the following sentence: *"The undersigned Carl von Meijenfeldt (Son of Johan August von Meijenfeldt, born and educated at Stralzund between the years 1760-1780, having served in the French and thereafter in the Dutch army, died at Rotterdam June 2th 1835)(...)." Furthermore: "As the Earl von Meijerfeldt (...) undoubtedly is my Grandfather..."*

I enclose a copy of his letter.

The letter was directed to the wrong Universiteit (that of Helsingfors).