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Dear Margie,

you see how familiar I've become
on such short acquaintance. I want to give
my deepest thanks for the cigarettes you sent.
All the boys that I could get around to wish
to add theirs. They sure were appreciated. You
see we received and smoked them during one of
the very severe moments of the fight. The strain
of battle was greatly lightened. In fact after the
most artillery barrage we had taken that day, one of
the boys told me that his life was saved by
your cigarettes. I've gone in to great detail just
to let you know how much good you have done.
I am terribly sorry that Harry Wakem didn't let
me know sooner that he knew such nice people.
It is rather difficult to write to
someone who has sent you something without even
enclosing a note. I just am at a loss for any-
thing to say. Just thanks. Possibly if you would
write it would make things easier for me to answer.
A picture or two that we could all look at wouldn't
go bad either.
So, I won't say good bye now. I'll just
close this letter saying that the boys send their

regards and love to a strong anti-fascist and true
friend of the Lincoln Brigade. Of course my special regards and
warmest anti-fascist greetings - As we say in
Spain when greeting —

Salud
Nat Gross

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