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Mr. Everett L. Deane
2037 Monument Avenue
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RETURN TO
MR. DEANE

Dear Everett:

As I understand that Dr. Sadler has already left the office for Europe, I do not know exactly whom I should write, so I am writing to you and will ask that you see that the information is passed on to the right person.

Dr. Caudill called me over long distance this afternoon asking me to send \$20,000.00 account of our Volksdeutsch program to Winnipeg to help take care of the expenses of some 300 DPs who are supposed to arrive this week. This practically wipes out our Volksdeutsch fund. Dr. Caudill asked me to write this letter to the Relief Committee of the Foreign Board and say that he had a letter from Dr. Sadler dated May 28th, in which he mentioned that \$35,000.00 might be available for this Volksdeutsch program. Dr. Caudill asked me to say that if you could possibly send us \$10,000.00 or \$15,000.00 of this amount at this time, it would be most deeply appreciated. I shall have to get off to Germany another \$2,482.36 before Friday if possible. I am leaving Friday for Buffalo.

Thanking you for anything you can do towards meeting this need, and with all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Jessie R. Ford
Secretary to Dr. Ohrn

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2 checks \$250 each enclosed in this letter for Pension Dues Miss Ford

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Dear Everett:

I was certainly glad to receive your letter of the 5th together with the check for \$15,000.00 for the Volksdeutsche Program. Thank you for coming to our aid so promptly. I was sure you would.

I don't know where the information got out that we had plenty of money on hand. We did have \$20,000.00 up to last Monday, but when we had to send a check for that amount to Canada to pay the expenses of some 300 Volksdeutsche landing this week, it cleared us out completely. This \$15,000.00 will be a tremendous help, but I am afraid it will not be very long before we shall have to call on you again. We deeply appreciate the support of the committee in voting \$35,000.00 for the Volksdeutsche Program.

I am much interested in what you wrote about your trip to Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana. I think I remember some of those pieces of property. I am sure your trip was most interesting.

As you guessed, the American Convention is being held at Buffalo, and I leave Friday. One year I go north and the next year south. Too bad this wasn't my "southern" year. I hope you have a good time at San Francisco. I am sure that Foreign Mission night will be the high spot, as it always is. Wish I could be there.

By the way, this week I had a personal letter from Miss Addie Cox, who is way back in China. I don't know how the letter got out, but it came through all right except that the envelope had the corner torn off which had her name on it. I hope that doesn't mean anything serious. She said she was well and getting on fine with her work. The letter was written on April 20th. Not knowing whether you had heard from her recently, I thought I would pass this on to you.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Jessie R. Ford
Secretary to Dr. Ohrn

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June 15, 1951

Miss Jessie R. Ford
Baptist World Alliance
1628 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington 9, D. C.

Dear Miss Ford:

After you advised Dr. R. Paul Caudill of our having sent \$15,000 to you on June 5th for the Volksdeutsche program, he wrote to me explaining that the Baptist World Alliance funds for this purpose are very low, or rather he makes reference to the treasury of the relief committee of the Baptist World Alliance being low, and suggested that we might send the balance of the \$35,000 we set aside for this program.

Enclosed is our check for \$20,000.00 which pays the balance we have available at present for the Volksdeutsche program. Any additional payments will have to be made after correspondence with Dr. Sadler and possibly the approval of our relief committee.

When you receive this letter I expect you will have made your trip to Buffalo, and I do hope that the Convention meeting was an inspiring one.

With personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

E. L. DEANE

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Mr. Everett L. Deane
2037 Monument Avenue
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Dear Everett:

When I got back to the office this morning I found your letter of June 15th, in which you had inclosed check for the additional \$20,000.00 for the Volksdeutsche program. We certainly thank you for this additional help.

Everything was very calm and peaceful at the American Convention. Dr. Porter Routh brought the greetings from the Southern Convention. Dr. Lord gave the address on Thursday night. I think he is also to speak on the program of the Southern Convention, and by the end of the month will be returning to London.

I was distressed when I got home to learn of the hurricane that struck Richmond while I was at Buffalo. I take it that the Board building was not in the path and escaped damage. It must have been a terrific experience to those living in the Monroe Park area.

With every good wish for you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Jessie R. Lord
Secretary to Dr. Ohrn

Copy to Dr. R. Paul Caudill
First Baptist Church
Memphis, Tenn.

June 25, 1951

Miss Jessie R. Ford
Baptist World Alliance
1628 - 16th Street
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Ford:

We have received today the enclosed letter from Mr. Bandstra of Holland. In the absence of Drs. Sadler and Rankin who are out of the country, we are referring the communication to you. It is rather doubtful that, even if they were here, we could furnish the necessary affidavit since we are in no way sponsoring these young persons. If you can help Mr. Bandstra and Miss Bakker, please do so; or handle their request in any way you see fit.

We are writing Mr. Bandstra that we are referring his communication to you in the absence of Drs. Sadler and Rankin. If you are not able to offer assistance or advice, return the letter to us, and it will be held, pending Dr. Sadler's return to the country. Since he will not be in Richmond until July 19, it will be impossible to meet the time limit set of July 5.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs. Kennard C. Dyer)
Secretary to Dr. Sadler

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Dr. Charles W. Koller
Northern Baptist Theological Seminary
3040 W. Washington Blvd.,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Koller:

As you probably know, Dr. Ohrn is in Europe for the summer. Hence I am writing you with reference to a letter which has come to us today from the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Richmond, Virginia.

The letter from Richmond inclosed a letter from N. Bandstra of Holland, together with a certificate from Rev. T. Jansma, Secretary of the Dutch Baptist Union. I am inclosing herewith a copy of the letter from Mr. Bandstra.

I have talked with Mr. Klaupiks of our office regarding this matter of an affidavit for Mr. Bandstra and Miss Bakker, and he tells me that it is not necessary for them to have such affidavits if they come in on a student visa. Those coming in as regular immigrants have to have the affidavit, but students do not. A certification along the following lines should be sent to Mr. Bandstra and Miss Bakker at once if it is to reach them by July 5th.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that Mr. N. Bandstra/(Miss Tr. Bakker) of Groningen, Holland, has been enrolled as a regular student at the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary, 3040 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, and that the Seminary certifies that his school expenses will be taken care of by the Seminary as long as he is a student in this school.

This statement should be signed before a Notary Public.

No statement should be made about giving these young people work, as that would prevent them from securing a student visa. This does not mean that they would actually be prohibited from working in the dining room, for instance, or receiving any fees for preaching while in the seminary. But this cannot be put in the official document.

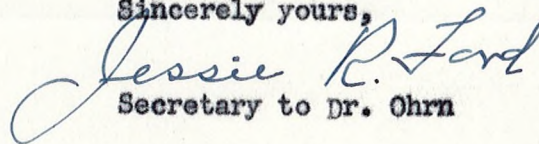
I am inclosing the copy of requirements for an Affidavit of Support as sent by Mr. Bandstra. But as stated above, this should not be necessary if he comes in on a student visa.

I am writing Mr. Bandstra that the matter has been referred to you, and I trust that it will be possible to get the necessary papers to him in time for him to enter school at the opening of the session.

Of course the same sort of affidavit would have to be sent for Miss Bakker.

Thanking you for what you and your Seminary are planning to do for these young people, I am

Sincerely yours,


Secretary to Dr. Ohrn

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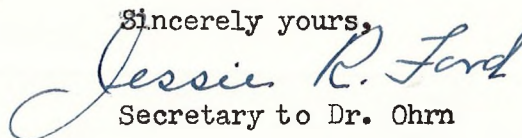
Mrs. Kenneth C. Dyer
Foreign Mission Board
2037 Monument Avenue
Richmond 20, Virginia

Dear Kitty:

Your letter of the 25th with inclosures from Mr. Bandstra of Holland, came this morning.

Of course the Baptist World Alliance is not in a position to put up a blanket affidavit such as Mr. Bandstra needs. I am inclosing copies of my letter to Dr. Koller of the Northern Seminary and to Mr. Bandstra. I do not know whether these will do any good, but it is the only thing that I know of to do. The fact that he has already applied for the immigration visa may make it impossible for him to get the student visa now. I cannot understand why they did not apply for a student visa in the first place. I hope Dr. Koller will be able to handle the matter, but the time is short.

With best wishes for you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Ohrn

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P.S. I am holding the original papers here for the time being until we find out whether Dr. Koller can do anything.

NORTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
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Miss Jessie R. Ford
Secretary to Dr. Ohrn
1628 Sixteenth Street, N. W.
Washington 9, D. C.

My dear Miss Ford:

Your letter addressed to Dr. Charles W. Koller, president of our seminary, concerning the matter of Mr. N. Bandstra and Miss Truus Bakker and their entering this country, from the Netherlands, to study at this Seminary, has been handed me for reply.

Mr. Bandstra's letter addressed to the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was evidently written after he received our statement to be presented to the American Consul in Rotterdam, Holland, in which we promised him a free tuition scholarship and a working scholarship covering room and board. This is the sort of statement bearing the embossed seal of the Seminary, that has always been honored by American consuls in the past, including a similar case for a student from The Netherlands, last summer, who was granted a student's visa to study here. As a matter of fact, an American consul, located in another country, within the last two weeks has instructed one of our approved students to secure the same sort of statement, that this school, in addition to the free tuition scholarship, would guarantee sufficient work for him to earn his other expenses, that is, his room and board. We think that Mr. Bandstra has confused the two ways of entering this country: the one of entering on a permanent visa; the other of entering on a student's visa. He should have explained very clearly to the American Consul exactly what he wanted. There is another thing in the same connection and that is that in his letter to the Mission Board, dated June 22, 1951, he indicates he has no relatives in the United States. In his letter to me, dated February 28, 1951, he said that if he would be accepted by us in time, he wanted to arrive in America "in the beginning of July" and added, "I hope to pass two months at my uncle at Cashen, New Jersey to learn the English language better and to prepare me." He did not give us his uncle's name. It may be he found that his uncle no longer was there, but he has written us no further explanation.

Our Seminary has never stood as sponsor otherwise for a foreign student than indicated above, however, it has never failed to back a foreign student, after he has arrived here, if his work and his school work have been satisfactory.

In regard to Miss Truus Bakker, she wrote us the following on May 17, 1951, after we had written that we had been told by someone, that a sponsor was not necessary for a foreign student on a student's visa and that she should seek to confirm it: "Three weeks ago I received your letter and I thank you very much, that you will help me during the first year. I wrote this to the American Consul and this morning I got a letter from him. Yes, it is necessary that you make a statement of this case. I hope you will do so." The background of Miss Bakker's reply was our letter to her that we could not sponsor her (in the way already suggested for a permanent visa), but that we would give her a free tuition scholarship, and a working scholarship to cover room and board.

This is the situation as it stands at present. We believe that if these two young people

Miss Jessie R. Ford
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were to go personally to the American Consul and explain the situation fully, everything would work out all right.

We certainly appreciate your kindly interest in this matter, and hope that everything will work out satisfactorily. Copies of this letter are going both to Mr. N. Bandstra and Miss Truus Bakker by air mail.

Yours very cordially,

(s)

William M. Fouts
Registrar

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