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Dear Mr. Kubota:

As you see, I am returning the letters sent to me from Japan during the past year by interested countrymen of yours, and to each letter is attached my personal reply. Will you please read both the letters and answers. This is for your better understanding - - keeping in mind that as time passes I will return letters to you unanswered and you will answer in my stead. In so doing, you will naturally be taking considerable time and will need help from the people in various sections of your nation to carry on with the increased volume of work. There will also be a certain amount of expense involved which you should have reimbursement for, at least to the extent of the postage used being sent to you by those requesting mailed information. I find it a great help when letters requesting replies or other mailed information are accompanied by stamped self-addressed envelope, for this is a saving of my time, as well as equalizing costs.

Inclosed also is the literature I promised to send some time ago and which will help you acquire such information which was not covered in my replies to the letters. To you and to the leaders in each nation, I shall send whatever information I have. You will notice the purpose of our work is explained in my first letter attached to the No. 1 booklet.

Please do not mistake this for a request for money. I realize that it is sometimes difficult to send money from one country to another because of international exchange. But it is a way of helping to defray my expenses here in America and in Canada. Should it be possible at any time in the future for any of your groups to contribute to this work financially, it would be very much appreciated. But it is not an obligation. The purpose of the entire program is to encourage friendship among the peoples.

The Brothers have suggested that, in the beginning, the co-worker with whom I keep contact will find a way to introduce his countrymen to one another personally or, if that is not feasible, by mail. In this way, many who are interested in the subject, but who feel they have no one with whom to discuss it, will be introduced to others of like interest and thereby feel greater freedom through the privilege of exchanging thoughts on matters of mutual interest.

A list of names and addresses of co-workers in other nations is also inclosed. You will note that your name has been added, for which we are all very happy. There has already been some exchange of correspondence between the co-workers of various nations and this is the way it should be for, as we each grow in understanding of the other, the very force of one's thoughts and friendship will be instrumental in bringing into reality the peace and brotherhood on Earth toward which we are working.

You will notice by some of the inclosed letters which I received, that requests have been made for photographs. It is impossible for me to supply these as I would like to do. However, I am inclosing some which you can have duplicated if you desire and sell to those requesting them. You should at least get for them the amount they cost you and coverage of your other expenses incurred in serving your countrymen. If the photographs are not considered of sufficient value that one is willing to pay for them, then you will probably find that you cannot successfully serve that person.