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David Sainty,  
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Relief Section 109,  
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B. A. O. R.

Dear David,

FOOD SUPPLIES

I enclose a copy of a letter I have written to Eric Cleaver relating to an offer we have had from FRS through COBSRA to apportion 2 doz. cases of the ex-Army packs, for use on the work camps this summer. Apparently Eric is usually present when these allocations are made. The FRS very kindly do not wish us to consider the question of repayment. COBSRA suggest that the best course for you is to have a word with Eric and then lodge a request with the Deputy Commissioner for these supplies when they are being allocated from the pool.

In addition to this the I.S.S. have offered us 5 tons of food which they hope to send out in June. This they are going to send to HQ 5 with a request that they shall be allocated to IVSP. They will advise us when they are going and I will let you know right away, but in the meantime perhaps you would keep an eye open for them. I mentioned that we might not need the whole 5 tons for the camps. If this is so, then they would like IVSP to distribute the rest if possible; if not then to leave it in the HQ 5 pool.

I do not know yet what the exact make-up of the 5 tons will be, but it will probably include some dehydrated vegetables, marmite, and also tinned fish, galantine, and roast beef.

The I.S.S. have a representation in Germany, a Swede, to whom they send food supplies c/o UNRWA Hamburg, but this 5 tons will go direct to HQ 5.

With best wishes,  
Yours sincerely,

John