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Dear Janet,

Thank you very much for your letter of 9th February. I am very sorry that I could not be engaged in the matter regarding the circular issued by your French branch. I was very busy with my exams in school and Mr. Horák was not informed in details about your projects. Thank you very much for your explanation and for the list of your projects in 1964 as examples.

The Town Council of the ČSM in Prague will organize some workcamps this summer as I told you in Warsaw. We shall also send some of our volunteers abroad but it will be in cooperation with the Central Office. In Prague there is a great demand for projects abroad and we are able to satisfy only one fifth of all the choosen volunteers. Our contact with the Central Office is very close and because of the great number of applications in Prague we have an agreement to send some of our volunteers ourself. But these volunteers must not be taken from the quota from the Central Office, which must be used for all members of the ČSM in Czechoslovakia. So, if you could accept some more volunteers from Czechoslovakia, please write me and I can assure you that our volunteers will be choosen with the best care. All the formalities as passports and visas must be done through the Central Office and in fact there are the same conditions for all volunteers going abroad.

At present I am in charge of preparation and organization of all summer projects in Czechoslovakia. This is a job of the University Student Council of the ČSM. But I am especially concerned with the organization of work camps organized by the Town Council of the ČSM in Prague. If you remember from Warsaw I was convinced that these work camps would be the best from all the work camps in Czechoslovakia. And I think that I was right. At present they are very good prepared. The work on the projects will be very useful and they will have social character. There will be not more than 15 participants in every camp (5 Czechs and 10 volunteers from abroad). Than the reason for writing is really to ask you several questions. The first is, if you could send some of your volunteers to our camps, who could be taking the direct responsibility for the work or for the social or educational side of the work camp. If indeed you could I would be very pleased to hear from you as soon as possible. Than I would provide your leaders with detailed information about our summer programme and line them up with a specific project.

The second question is connected with the visit in Prague of your staff member Alfred Knaus from the German branch. We had a very good, instructive and fruitful discussion with him. I think that your staff in Europe is very good. We should appreciate it, and would be very glad if you personally could come to Czechoslovakia, when you are in Europe. We should like to invite you together with the Central Office to stay in Czechoslovakia for a week or more, to discuss many things with you, to show you what the Czechoslovakia is really like. I think it should help a great deal to our mutual cooperation. I know that your time is very limited but perhaps you could find some possibility.

Today I received a letter from Ian Smith, U.N.A. International Service. He writes me if I could be a leader on some of the U.N.A. projects in the U.K. in the coming summer. It could be a very good part of my one year practise, which we have discussed in Warsaw.

I think it would be very good and useful for me if I could come to England in the March or in the Spring to take part in some of your leader training courses or if it is not possible then to participate in some of your work camps during the Easter. I could make a full use of my stay in England and discuss all this things with you and with Ian Smith in U.N.A. office. Alfred Knaus wanted me to come to Germany to participate in their leader-training course, but I think that because of my limited knowledge of German language and all the things I need to arrange it would be better to come to England.

Then if you could make this possible for me, I should be extremely obliged to you and we all trust that you will find some possibility to accept our invitation.

I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Josef Motyčka, Director Summer Projects