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Dear Janet,

you have probably heard from Rosemarie what our Committee decided on Sunday. We had a rather harsh discussion about this matter but agreed in the end.

There were two possibilities for our comment

- either to go into details, i. e. to touch three or four points they outlined in East Berlin, as I proposed in a rather general way
- or to leave out details altogether as we did now.

I think — and in this we all agree — that this paper, which should be sent as it is to FDJ ( of course you may add whatever you want in an accompanying letter ) may bring an end of this matter if . . . yes, if they want to.

This was the cardinal point of our discussion : we want to talk with them, as a Branch of SCI, about camps, about SCI - FDJ relations, about this report, too. We did not intend to provoke them. We did but this is no reason why talks between our Committee and Hans-Ulrich should be stopped.

Therefore : 'unmittelbarer Meinungs Austausch' — direct talks and no long explanations or statements. Either they want to deal with SCI — we are ready — or they don't, then letters would be useless anyway.

Way of proceedings : talks on study-camps this autumn ( first week of October ?) with a larger German delegation ( perhaps three of us, including Hans-Ulrich ). Any subject might be touched concerning IZD — FDJ relations. With this we would just follow the wish of our Yearly Meeting. Then in spring — accordingly to your proposal, two full representatives ( for instance Franco and me ) go to Berlin for the usual talks.

Now problems would be raised if one of us would visit this year's camp. We therefore decided not to send anybody. We'll make it part of our plan for next year.

I hope you agree with us. Would you, please, send me a copy if you specially write a letter to FDJ ?

Yours,

cc. Hans-Ulrich  
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Alfred Knaus