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Dear Kurt-

Thank you very much for your letter, also in the name of the twins. We three wish you good luck in your new "home".

I have inquired all over but unfortunately I have not been able to find anything for you as yet.- Did you try some of the agencies, especially that foreign language agency, the latter firm is very active in placing people with knowledge of foreign languages.- I also spoke repeatedly to Dr. Simson in your behalf but he also has so far given negative replies only.

Last week I was at the State Department in Washington. They had cabled over to issue visas for Lotte and Peter. I am greatly upset and worried by this sudden outbreak of war and fear that it will be impossible for Lotte and Peter to leave Japan.-

Any day you happen to be in my neighborhood around lunchtime please come in and let's have lunch together.

I hope that you have good news from Helmuth and Til. Please give them our regards when you write.

Sincerely yours

Paul E. Sernau

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Dear Paul:

It may have been unavoidable, indeed, that Lotte and Peter now must hibernate in K. - and not only that, as the war doesn't look like a mere winter campaign - , nevertheless you do not need to be told how I feel alarmed and stunned. As soon as you will get any news about, let me know, please. I hope my last letter to Lotte may still have reached her.

It is scarcely to be questioned that, besides Helmy who will go, I assume, to the Philippines or Hawaii, Tyll, too, will be drafted soon, and the same fate will occur to the twins later, and to ourselves, perhaps. "Spem dum spiro." In any case it is the clear duty of all of us to help America.

I thank you very gratefully for your speaking to Mr. Simson about my (non-existing) situation, your endeavors now and in the future, and your advice. Be assured I am doing all in my power to find a job. But much seems to depend on what is called protection.

When I happen to be in your neighborhood I'll drop in and have a talk with you.

Please, give the twins my regards.

So long...

10/30/46

Dear Kurt:-

Lotte had written that they were supposed to come on the "Marine Falcon" but that they had to wait for Peters Anata number and would come on a freighter, possibly all the way through the Panama Canal to New York. - I am very anxiously awaiting some news from her.

Saw enclosed ad by chance in the German newspaper. Isn't that the Schlumberger who was your client?

As soon as I hear anything about Lottes departure I'll contact you.

Please do likewise.

Kind regards

Paul

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