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Dr. Robert D. Leigh, President,  
Bennington College,  
Bennington, Vermont.

Dear Dr. Leigh:

I have just returned from another visit to New York and the main office of the U. S. Committee. While I was in the office, a long distance call arrived from Mr. Biddle who had been sent to England to get releases for the children and to attend to the details thereof. The net result is that we have received the following wire from Mr. Marshall Field:

"Regarding British statement abandoning evacuation children for winter awaiting information from Biddle London re position American Committee stop Board meeting called for Monday morning to determine policy stop In the meantime accept no new affidavits and initiate no home reviews except when National Office notifies you children recently arrived are awaiting placement your community Will keep you informed". Dated October 4, 1940.

I am therefore planning to talk to Mrs. Denman of the U. S. Committee in New York today over the telephone after their meeting, in order to find out what their future policy is to be.

I think that this situation warrants a meeting of the State Committee chairman and the regional chairman and his associates in Bennington, which I will undertake to do personally. I am going to ask if I can make an appointment to see you at the Monument Inn in Bennington on Tuesday, October 8th, at 5:30 P.M. I expect to be a guest of the Inn during my stay in Bennington.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,  
Joseph Winterbotham  
Joseph Winterbotham  
Chairman

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Copy to Mrs. Lucia Barber Howard

Dict. but not read also to Mrs. Hiram Hall