Mishmar Ha Emek, Haifa, Palestine, September 29, 1939.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, Jewish National Fund, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York.

My dear Dr. Goldstein,

First, greetings to the New Year to you and yours, a harder year to face perhaps, but my faith is such that I know that we and what we stand for will come through.

To effect this coming through though, we have to give all possible support to that which is already started and in line with that I feel that I must write to you to add my request to that which already is on its way to you from Kibbutz America-Krite.

The kids have been having a hard time. When I returned in October they were all thrilled because of their hityashvut which I know had received the full support of you, Ussishkin and Dr. Granovsky. Then came the anti-climax and having taken possession of the land even to the extent of building a tower for protection, they were forced to accept the decision that another kibbutz should be placed there in their stead.

Since that time, but more certainly since the beginning of war, the conditions of employment in and around Petah Tikva have not only become worse, but employment has ceased, which means that the kibbutz is almost 1000/o unemployed.

In view of the fact of the tremendous need of extending our food production as also the promise which has so long been held out to Krite for settle ment, may I ask you to help to save the situation by pressing for the kibbutz's immediate settlement on the land? They are ramping to go; ready to take up any new frontier point, two of which are waiting for settlers. If they could be granted land in Beisan or in the Huleh, they would be, as those who have gone before them, an additional source of strenght both to us here and to the movement in the United States.

In a short time I am going to write you about plans to transfer the training of youth leadership from here to America. I hope they will have not only your support but your backing.

With sincerest personal regards all and with hopes that you will, as you have done before, help the destinies of Kibbutz America-Krits to be fulfilled in the productive way of which they are capable, I am,

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Irma L. Lindheim

Mishmar Ha Emek, Haifa, Palestine, October 1, 1939.

I am very much worried over the situation of Kibbutz America-Krite and feel that they deserve the immediate consideration of their problem.

I know that I need not remind you of yours and Mr. Ussishkin's decision to grant them the hityashvut which was supported so urgently by Dr. Goldstein and the American organization, nor need I recount to you the bitter disappointment and anti-climax which followed upon their removal from the land after they had actually taken possession of Dahlia. At present the kibbutz has come to the end of its resources; unemployment is almost 100 o/o, which makes their hityashvut not only a question of fulfillment but one of actual life. In view of the fact of their merit as well as the strong support and sympathy which they command in America, may I plead with you that in consideration of the plans for settlement in Beisan or the Hule that you can make possible their immediate hityashvut.

Awaiting with eagerness your decision, I am

As ever yours,

Irma L. Lindheim.

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