HONORABLE HARRY S. TRUMAN
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

My dear Mr. President:

By unanimous vote of those present at a meeting of the Directors of the American China Policy Association, Inc., May 15, 1952, I have been instructed to thank you for a letter received from Mr. Francis H. Russell, Director of the Office of Public Affairs, Department of State, which is in answer to a letter sent you by our Association, April 10, 1952.

Our letter asked about the possibility of forced repatriation of P.O.W.s in Korea. Mr. Russell's letter called our attention to your statement of May 7th, in which you say "we will not buy an armistice by turning over human beings for slaughter or slavery."

By unanimous vote, our Directors instructed me to congratulate you on the position taken in connection with those P.O.W.s who do not wish to return to Communism. In their opinion, your firm refusal to return a single P.O.W. who does not wish to go back to the Communist dictatorship, will strengthen Asian confidence in American integrity.

Most respectfully yours,

Alfred Kahler
Chairman

American China Policy Association, Inc.
1 West 37th Street
New York 19, New York

May 19, 1952

[Signature]

Executive Committee
April 21, 1952

Respectfully referred to the Department of State.

WILLIAM D. WADDINGTON
Secretary to the President.

Letters addressed to the President.

KOHLER, Alfred, Chairman, American-China Policy Association, Inc., 1 West 37th Street, New York 18, N.Y. 4/10/52. Writes relative to Korean situation - release of prisoners against their will - Chinese POWs held by US on Joseon Island, signed a petition in their own blood asking to be sent to Formosa to fight for Kai-shok. (Chiang)

JUERGENS, Helga, Kapp-Lantfort, Kr/Heerl. Michaelstr 26, Rheinland, Germany. 4/12/52. Letter to Mrs. Truman - requesting aid to come to the US and marry her fiancée. (prev. correas. states writer, a Yugoslavian, fiancée, colored.)

KUROSE, F., "Crosm-Steenschenkold-Porta Bendito, Tripoli, Libya. 4/12/52. Writer, a Palestinian, Arab, Christian and stateless, (refugee) requests aid in securing a scholarship for his son, Bashir Fadhel, to attend an American university.

CHAO, Xu, Chairman, Committee on the Claims for the Reimbursement of Formosa Properties Frozen by the Japanese Government, 23 Section-1, Kailing Street, Taipei, Taiwan, China. 4/10/52. "Claim for the frozen properties from Japan for the sake of Formosa" - Committee requests the President's assistance and good offices to expedite the defrosting and prompt and fair reimbursement of frozen properties.

PETEY, Francis, 3 Avenue du Villiers, Paris, 17, France. 4/12/52. Writer requests aid to secure employment with an American organization - applied for position with NATO, but was refused - encloses letter received.


ZORGANOU, Marjory, Sanatorium Sotiria, Athens, Greece. 4/14/52. Request for financial aid for operation, hospital expenses.

WINSON, Robert, c/o American Express, Paris, France. 4/15/52. Writer, an American citizen, veteran of W. W. 2, protests financial aid to Spain. Graduate of Georgetown University - expresses his doubt in military value of an alliance with the Fascist government of Spain.

KURNEF, Wolf, 13b/6 Chollstenburg/Scharbeusgaden, Zollhaus 28 1/5 Germany. 4/11/52. Writer requests President's aid in immigrating to the US with his family - apparently refused April 10th. Requests review.