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Dear Tai San

Thank you very much for your letter. I note that the sponsorship transfer is still unsettled, so we have decided to apply for a visitor's visa for Sekida San, rather than one of a longer term, as we can do this without dealing with the local Immigration people. It will mean sending Sekida San back to Japan on a round-trip ticket next year, an expense we had hoped to avoid. We are making this decision now, as I want everything to be settled before I leave on my trip the first of April.

Bernard wrote me recently, explaining the difficulties of transfering authority of the Zen Studies Society to your group. If it is too difficult, please consider the possibility of forming a new group organization. It is really simple, as I explained in my earlier letters. I should like to request, in all respect, that this be done and the transfer effected, before Roshi comes this summer.

We are all well here. Shibayama Roshi and Miss Kudo paid us a nice visit, together with a senior monk of Nanzenji named Nakamura. The Roshi also gave a good talk at the East-West Center. Entai Tomomatsu also visited a regular zazenkai, and talked about Buddhist sociology. Herb is back, looking for some place to live and feel productive.

We noticed the enclosed obituary of Mrs. Wilson in the paper the other night, and thought you should have it.

Anne joins me in sending best regards to you.