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Dear Yasutani Rōshi:

Thank you very much for your letter and for your news-story, which just arrived. I regret very much to say that the November-December issue of Diamond Sangha was printed on January 8 and was assembled and mailed a few days later, so that your story will not appear.

As I told you, when Tai San was here I consulted with him in detail on this matter, and together we planned the story that was to be printed. Of course I assumed, in view of all the circumstances, that he knew your wishes and had consulted with you about the wording, and that we were proceeding with your approval. I am so very sorry indeed if I have ~~made mistakes~~ in this, and of course I will be glad to print any sort of correction or addition to the story in our next issue, if you wish me to do so. I am enclosing a copy of the news-sheet, as inadvertently your copy was sent by sea-mail instead of air-mail.

As you will see, the story as it appears is very similar to your account, so I feel sure that you will be satisfied, and that there will be no misunderstanding.

I am sorry to cause you so much difficulty with the translations, but hope that I will not have to bother you too often. I look forward very much to receiving your letter about your wishes regarding your visas.

I hope that you had a Happy Birthday celebration with your many friends and students, and that you and Satomi San are in good health.

With warm regards to you and all our old friends

Respectfully, with gassho,