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Dear Friend Ikenaga San:

Anne and I are grateful to you for taking care of Tai San during this difficult period. If there is any way we can share this responsibility, please let us know.

Tai San moved from Koko An at his own initiative, without my having a chance to discuss this action with him. Perhaps he is justified in moving away, but as his sponsor and as his long-time associate I feel we should separate in an atmosphere of understanding and harmony.

I have written to him expressing the hope that we might meet at his convenience in order to clear the air in a peaceful way, and also I expressed this hope to Mr. Fukuda, who promised to convey the message to Tai San.

Mr. Fukuda has now returned to Japan, I presume. I do not want to push this matter unduly, but I feel perhaps I should make one more try. I think it is especially important for us to establish a story about the change which I can print in Diamond Sangha and repeat to members. So far I am only saying that Tai San is on vacation before his proposed trip to New York. We have locked up his cottage so that people will not wander in there and find that he has removed all his things.

I wonder if I might ask you to help arrange a meeting, either with or without other people present, between Tai San and me. It is not my intention to discuss anything past, unless he wishes. I understand he is due in New York the 27th, so I suppose it should be soon.

Thanks very much.

Yours sincerely,