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605 East 168th St.,  
New York City.

My dear Mr. Perkins,

On September 30 I wrote to you regarding the Roerich Museum. I enclosed a printed form and asked you to kindly read the paragraph marked therein. I stated several facts and asked you several questions. Your reply, if it can be called a reply at all, was most amazing to me. You made no mention of the enclosed printed form nor answered any of my questions. You said you could not take sides. I wonder what made you think that I wanted you to take sides. All I asked you to do, as head of your institution, was to seriously investigate the matter I presented. You said in your letter that you would be pleased to arrange for a meeting between Mr. Curry and myself. I do not see any reason for such a meeting, since I do not consider it of any importance whatsoever. What I do think important is that Mr. Curry became acquainted with our Institution. I have been a student of the Master Institute of Roerich Museum for nearly eleven years and feel certain that if Mr. Curry and the other members of the Hazlewood Committee would take the time to visit our institution and learn of the wonderful work it is doing they would most certainly change their tactics. Our institution does not only turn out good artists but also good Americans. I am sure you will agree with me when I say that what America needs most in these dark times is good Americans. Our Institution teaches us to understand ~~man and~~ men and nations better, and in that way is teaching us to become better and nobler citizens. Is such an institution as the Roerich Museum not worthy of the whole-hearted support of every good American? I hope Mr. Curry will want to become acquainted with this splendid institution. As we all know the way to understanding is the will to understand. It would be far more Americans ~~for~~ the members of the Hazlewood Committee to exhibit the will to understand rather than to do what they are doing now.

Very truly yours,

Leontine Hirsch Meyers.