

Dear Lama Mengyur

We are in receipt of your letter of the and are vert glad to hear that you an your family are in best of health. We are how ever sorry not to be able to give you any good news. Your know how M-me R.'s health had suffered from the hardships endured in Tibet, and now her condition has been seriously aggravated for months of anxiety on account of the forcible separation from her family.

You have no doubt read in the papers that Prof.R. and Dr.George R. are banned from re-entering India. And despite of intervention of 15 countries, cultural Institutions and the greatest representatives of all religions, Prof.R. is still refused visa to join M-me R. , who is ill ^{has} with ^a ~~constant~~ ^{space} heart attacks. *scabulous disease*

Prof.R. and Dr.G.R. with a physician, whom they have specially brought from Paris to helpt and treat M-me R., are ^{staying} ~~all~~ in French India still ^{awaiting visas to join her} ~~without~~ permission. Even the physician has been refused a separate visa, although he came thousands of miles specially for the medical purpose of treating with new methods a dangerously ill Lady, who cannot otherwise be helped, as her heart and blood pressure make it impossible for her to leave the mountain heights. This forcible separation from her family heavily reacts and endangers M-me R's weak heart and we are living in constant fear that every heart attack may be the last one.

Where lies the cause of such a cruel and undeserved attitude against such a great world-famous figure as Prof.Roerich is, - the originator of the Roerich Peace Pact, accepted by the League of Nations? Prof.Roerich is a figure acclaimed now by the whole world for his great cultural ideas and ceaseless beneficial activities. Certainly this slander and persecution have given to Prof. and M-me R. and our Institutions the greatest fame and sympathy of the whole world, and if it were not for the tragic

condition of M-me R's health we could but rejoice at such world wide intervention for Prof.R's right to reenter his home, which is not only his, but also the seat of American Scientific Institutions.

Of course all the slander about Russian affiliations has been denied by a letter signed by Mr.A.Hensersonof the Foreign Office. Besides ^{are aware} this slander we also heard that our reverence to the Great Teaching of Buddha and our sympathy to the Buddhist world have been greatly disapproved of. To this we can only say that we are happy to be persecuted ~~for~~ the Name of the Blessed One. As Prof.R. says: it is better to be persecuted than to be a persecutor.

If you want to write and to have any news from Dr.George R., his address is Hotel Europe, Pondicherry, French India.

We shall always be glad to hear from you again. Mrs R. sends you and your family her heartiest greetings and asks you to remember her to the old Venerable Lama R. and to transmit to him her veneration and hearties greetings.

Yours very sincerely

We still are puzzled as to the animosity created and also many of our friends think that the instigator of such hostility must be a great enemy of Britain by putting her in such an awkward position in the eyes of the whole cultural world.