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DR. N. DOLGOPOLOFF, 2 RUE DES ORPHELINES, PAU, (BASSES-PYR.) FRANCE.		COUNTESS ALEXANDRA L. TOLSTOY, TOLSTOY FOUNDATION, 289 Fourth Avenue, NEW YORK CITY. U.S.A.
Date of letter (or postmark if letter undated)	7/8th May 1941.	

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TOLSTOY FOUNDATION RELIEF WORK IN FRANCE.

The envelope contains a number of enclosures in Russian, English & French.

The Russian letter with the heading of the Russian Relief Committee, dated 7th May 1941 the report of the Chairman of the above organisation to Countess A.L. Tolstoy about the work of the Committee. It contains a statement of the amounts received from the Tolstoy Foundation of New York between October 1940 and 12th April 1941, totalling Fr.Frs.205,507.40, receipts for which are enclosed.

It further contains a statement of all the food stuffs supplied to the organisation by the "Unitarians" and the "Quakers", partly direct from USA, but chiefly from Lisbon, through Mr. Joy. The Quakers have been paid for the goods Frs.36,000.- out of the local funds. There is no indication of the period during which the food stuffs in question have been delivered.

Writer points out the tremendous increase in the scope of the organisation's relief work, and in the difficulties under which it has to be done. He considers it necessary to make the "Comite des Zemstvos et Villes Russes" the sole organisation for the distribution of donations from America, whether in money or in kind. He writes (page 2, last paragraph):

"I quite realise that this increase is the result of the assistance given by the Tolstoy Foundation and the Children's Relief Fund, and that we are only your technical apparatus here. But in order that this apparatus can work still more intensively, we would ask you to direct everything through us alone...In these hard times, when it is so difficult to raise the means to cover the direct and most urgent needs, the co-ordination of all efforts is the basic condition of the rational use of the money obtained." After describing at length the various difficulties he has in obtaining permits from Military authorities for the despatch of parcels over 5 kgs., both to the occupied zone and to the

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other provinces (Departments), writer reverts once more to the question of sole representation:

"In the course of all this trouble it has become clear that some sort of statement from you that we are your sole representatives in France, the only ones entitled to distribute the money and food sent by you among the Russian relief organisations and needy private persons, would be of the greatest assistance. We would ask you very kindly to send us such a declaration in the French language. I enclose a specimen herewith."

Writer points out that he is unable to pay the amounts sent to private persons at a fantastic "philanthropic rate" demanded by the donors. He states "As regards the rumours which have reached you of the high exchange value of the dollar in Lisbon and on the "Black Bourse", i.e. of operations which constitute a criminal offence here and are severely punished, such rumours can obviously be of no interest either to you or to us, as welfare organisations are naturally precluded from participation in such transactions."

Writer states that the draft for £30.- on Chase National Bank could not be cashed. As he was not allowed to return it, he encloses a copy of the Bank's advice and asks to take the necessary steps for the collection and forwarding of the money.

The second Russian letter, dated 8th May, consists entirely of information about various Russians in France, collected and imparted at the request of their friends in U.S.A. Writer adds that he has been unable so far to establish any communication with Belgium.

The envelope further contains: 1) Two copies of letters dated 17th and 20th April from a Russian refugee lady in Marseilles, stating that they have been reduced to such a state of exhaustion by lack of food and money, that her daughter has twice fainted. She is appealing for help.

2) A letter in French addressed to Mr. H. Kershner of the American Friends Service Committee in Marseilles, confirming the arrangement by which the latter promised to supply food stuffs for the amount of \$1600.- paid in Philadelphia by the Tolstoy Foundation.

3) 7 official receipts for amounts totalling Frs. 205.507.40.

4) Specimen of Declaration in French, to be made out in 2 copies (for the Chairman and the Secretary in case of his absence), to be signed by Countess Tolstoy and certified by the French Consulate.

5) Copy of Bank's Advice of draft for £ 30.-

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