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Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of 18th. June, I have pleasure in enclosing our Holiday Brochure which gives the addresses of Y.W.C.A. Hostels throughout England, Scotland and Wales (there is no Association in Ireland connected with the Y.W.C.A. of Great Britain).

Any of our hostels will take girls (usually only under the age of 25) of any nationality if they have the room, but the difficulty is - and particularly if these girls wish to stay for a short time only - that the hostels are likely to be full with long-term residents who make them their homes for two or three years at least. The only part of the year that London Hostels, for instance, are able to take people for short-term residence, is round about the Easter vacation, and during the summer holiday vacations - i.e. say the last week of July, through August and the early part of September. Even for these periods, the hostels may be fully booked a long time ahead.

With regard to finding employment for foreign students - this Association has no machinery for this service. Any enquiries I receive from students or from prospective employers I usually refer to the International Catholic Girls' Society.

If there is anything further you would like to know, please write to me again.

Yours faithfully,

Patricia Oliver

Enquiry Secretary.