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Dear Sir,

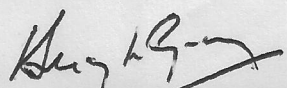
Thank you for your letter of 25th June, 1956. We do carry out enquiries of the kind you mention for various foreign voluntary societies and individuals who wish to come to this country. If the addresses concerned are in London they are visited and inspected by somebody from this office. If in the provinces we try and carry out such enquiries either through the clergy, Church of England Moral Welfare Workers, or other correspondents. We charge an honorarium of 9s/-d. for our services in this connection if the girl concerned or her family can afford to pay. As far as out of London enquiries are concerned, they take longer, and we are not invariably successful.

The International Catholic Girls' Society, 12 Cottessmore Gardens, London, W.8. carries out similar enquiries, and also runs an employment agency for placing girls in suitable households.

The best way of carrying out enquiries is to call personally, or get somebody else to do so, as people readily understand how a girl's parents may be worried as to where she is going, and an assessment of the home atmosphere is much easier to make in this way. If you write to local clergy and enclose a stamped addressed envelope, you will find that they are helpful.

I hope that this piecemeal information is of some use to you, and enclose a copy of our last Annual Report.

Yours truly,

  
(Hugh Gray) General Secretary

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