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Dear Sarah:

We have missed hearing from you. Did you enter the fair?
Were you able to sell quilts this winter?

I have found someone who will handle some of the crocheted dresses, and if they sell (she handles it on consignment, that is I leave them and she sends me the money as she sells them) I will have more market for your dresses. Unless you need batting, however, wait until we see how they sell. Right now I have 128 dresses including those you have sent me and some Bob Chorley sent me which he bought with money I left in Zimbabwe which I did not have time to convert to US money before we left. Bob now lives in South Africa. This woman took 20 dresses and she thinks they will sell well, especially when the ski season opens later in the winter.

Remember the christmas ornaments I said I would like from there? I have enclosed samples of them, which have been made from the very thread you can get there. I unraveled it from a tablecloth which was not very good. It bulged in the center. (not yours)

I have enclosed a check on a New York Bank. It can be cashed anywhere in the world. Take it to your Barclay's bank, and take it to one of the white clerks, they will cash it for you. If you have any problem, take it to the U.S. Embassy. It is for \$25.

With the money from the check, buy one of those big balls of the same thread the samples are made of. Some of the samples (the starched ones) were made of white. I would want them made up of the same beige (off-white) thread. Take the thread and the samples to your best crocheter and ask her if she can make the bells. I doubt if she will have any problem with the other samples. I would like half of the ball of thread made into bells and the rest into the snowflakes. The three paper patterns I have duplicated from patterns taken from tablecloths which I have purchased in Zimbabwe and which should be familiar to the ladies.

Christmas is coming and I would like these as soon as possible for the Christmas season. If these sell well, I will order more. These should not be too difficult for a good woman who does not know how many balls of thread go into a dress, but you mentioned in one letter that by the time you furnish the thread and pay a woman to crochet it, it costs you six or seven for the thread and \$10.50 for her to crochet it. These should be easier than a dress once she learns to do them, as they are the individual motifs, not joined, as they would be in a bedspread or tablecloth. So it should be satisfactory for her to be paid the same as if she were doing a dress with the same amount of thread in it. Use the balance to ship it to me air mail. If I did not send enough please tell me and I will send you the balance or material. The little white snowflakes sell for \$1.00 made up here in the U.S. so we will have to compete. I plan to line the bell with red and stuff it with batting. I will use nylon thread like on the snowflakes to hang them from the christmas tree, so don't have your lady crochet hangers of any kind.

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Dear Sarah:

Remember to send them airmail, and have them made as soon as possible. Hopefully, I would like to get them by the middle of October at the very latest. It will take you two weeks to get this letter, two weeks to mail them back, and if you get right to this that will give your crochet lady two weeks to get the job done. If you roll the finished ornaments in one of those light plastic grocery bags, and tie it with string you will save a lot of weight. Or even just paper, rolled, and tied with string.

I have also enclosed pictures of us as you requested. I hope you are all well. I have just been made our ward Relief Society President. That should keep me busy. How is the branch going? Tell Peter we would love to hear from him. Has he married yet?

Love,

(not yours) It bulged in the center.

Sister Hall

Note: I told her if she needed any more batting and materials to send me christmas ornaments instead of dresses.

Also that this lady will take the dresses at 75 dollars,

If I get 90 that will give me 15 dollars for handling and the branch ladies can get almost what they do in South Africa.

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