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Dear Marjorie:

We can appreciate your emotions these days. But don't worry too much - we'll get you and Dr. Bob together again yet.

An official cable came from Nanking Friday morning requesting your return. The Nanking Executive Committee that morning authorized us to proceed with arrangements for your journey. While we will have to leave to the hospital authorities the final decision as to the source from which your outgoing travel expenses are to be met, we will be glad to give you such aid in meeting these expenses as you may require and will report the figures to the hospital authorities for their disposition.

The letter from the State Department is the one we knew they would write. Evans is writing Shipley making an official request for your return, and there is a fair hope that the Department will approve the extension of your passport.

Until we can get word from Washington, sit tight and don't worry. And obviously you shouldn't send any cables or take any other radical steps until we have had a chance to talk over any moves you may think of making. We are nearly as anxious to get you back as you are to go. If it isn't safe for you and the young daughter to go to Nanking, or if you don't want to stay in Shanghai awhile until the situation up-river is clarified, you and the Doctor can veto the trip, but we will at least try to open the way if you do want to go.

Cheerio.

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