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POSITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

1. We are a private organization for assistance to civilians who suffered from war conditions.

a. This is what the food and money were given to us for.

Because the money was given to this Committee, therefore, we continue this Committee but adapt use of resources to conditions around us.

b. Such political services as we had were paid separately from our regular funds.

(The police pay was not even turned over to us but handled separately by their office. We have supplied them with rice on the same basis as other refugees or volunteer workers. The three clerks that came to our organization from the City Government had a separate assignment of pay.)

2. From the first we have cooperated with the Red Swastika and the Red Cross and will continue the same attitude toward the Tze Chih Wei Yuan Hwei. Willing to talk over particular proposals for cooperation on its merits: what will do the most good and fulfil the Committee's purpose.

3. Regarding funds: stick absolutely tight. These funds were entrusted to us and our honor is at stake to see that the money is used for the purpose for which it was given.

4. Watch for attempts to saddle us with jobs that will use up funds or attempts to ask us to cooperate in such a way that it gives them control of funds.

5. Approve development of order and public services by the Tze Chih Wei Yuan Hwei. But the great need for food and care of the people is the first demand on our funds.

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