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TO: Mr. [REDACTED]

FROM: FBT

SUBJECT: Reimbursement of Travel Expenses for [REDACTED]  
Emergency Trip to the United States

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1. Reference is made to your memorandum of 25 April 1947, concerning the return of [REDACTED] to the United States because of his Mother's serious illness. You request the organization to give every consideration to reimbursing [REDACTED] for the cost of transportation from his post of duty to the United States and return. Your request was referred to the appropriate office for decision.

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2. We are advised that there is no authority for payment of travel expenses of this nature. In order for travel expenses to be borne by the organization, the travel must be performed upon orders and for the convenience of the organization. Mr. [REDACTED] travel was not for the convenience of the organization and, therefore, must be considered personal. All expenses in connection with such travel will be considered personal and must be borne by Mr. [REDACTED]. It follows that no per diem will be payable for this period. For your information, we have been informed that the period from the date Mr. [REDACTED] left his post of duty until he returns to his post of duty must be charged to his annual leave, since he cannot be considered in a normal duty status.

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3. Mr. [REDACTED]'s ability and value to our work deserves great consideration in general, and we should like to help him in whatever way possible in his present misfortune. However, there is no alternative to the policy set forth above.

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