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BOYSCOUTS INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

20th February, 1947.

Dr. Alexander Lion,
Bund Deutscher Pfadfinder,
Bad Aibling.



Dear Dr. Lion,

Your letter of January 19 has reached me at the same time as Mr. Eby has returned from Germany on his way home to New York. He is at present engaged in writing his report and we are to have a long talk about his experiences and impressions on Sunday.

You will have realised from your conversations with him that it is our fixed idea to secure that there shall be only authentic German Scout Movement, whether of the nature of a Federation or otherwise. It is only in this way that it will be possible ~~at~~ bringing your first request to a successful completion that is to secure some legal protection for the use of the word "Pfadfinder" and of the words "Boy Scouts".

Your second request, to secure permission for "Pfadfinder" to operate in the British Zone, as in the U.S. Zone, has the constant attention of the (British) Boy Scouts Association. Several requests have been made to the British Authorities to this effect, and the hope is held out that permission will be given for Scouts to be started.

I am glad to hear of the good services rendered to you and your colleagues by 1st Lt. Bruce E. Walters, but regret that he has now left the Zone. I note what you have to say in this connection and in discussion with Mr. Eby - will see what can be done to secure assistance for you.

With best wishes,

I am
Yours sincerely,

sign. Wilson

DIRECTOR

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