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My dear Marinochka, we received your letter and a greeting card. Thank you very, very much for not forgetting us. I wept wholeheartedly when I received your letter the way you did when you received mine. Uncle Ilya was away on a business trip, so, in my excitement, I ran over to the Andrianovs and we all read it together. We are very pleased that Aleck is such a decent fellow. You know we liked him and now I like him twice as much as before in my thoughts. The photograph is beautiful. You look fine; little Marishka has grown a lot. I wanted so much to hold her in my arms. She does not look like you; she seems to me to be the very image of Aleck.

We were very glad to get your photograph. I look at it every day and it seems to me as though you are here, next to me. I will preserve it. You know that I love you,

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too, although I did scold you sometimes; but in my heart I was sincere. For me you took the place of a daughter and a friend. We are very sorry that you went so far away, but what can one do? Now we wish you only the best in life. Now you have

an heiress growing up; someone to live and work for.

Everything is fine at home; everybody is alive and well. We had a wonderful New Year's Eve party as we always do. During the school vacation we had Aunt Musya's children and Misha from Borisov. Only yesterday I took home Aunt Musya's Marinka. She spent about 4 days with us; she is growing into a very interesting girl—intelligent and determined. She asked me, "Aunt Valya, show me the picture of Marina; I will look at it again and remember it forever."

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We received a letter from Aunt Polina; she invites us to Sasha's wedding which will take place on February 16. I have not decided yet, whether to go or not. Marinochka, I asked you whether or not you put in a tooth; I am worried about it. Also, why do you not write anything regarding Aleck's relatives? How do they treat you? Please write.

Marinochka, we received your greeting card only yesterday. You are not writing the address correctly. Write it down and remember: Minsk 29, ulitsa Kommunisticheskaya, No. 42, apartment 20. Write letters more often; I will always gladly answer them. I like your letters very much and the way you write.

We have unusually cold weather this year; frosts started a long time ago and still

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persist. I am staying at home; as soon as I go out, my hands and feet freeze, although I am dressed very well for winter. Here is our news in brief.

Dear Maryasha, write to me the dates of your family's birthdays. I do not know the date when Marishka was born; I think you were born on June 15. We did not see any of your friends. Warm regards to you and Aleck from all the Andrianovs; they were very glad to be remembered. Lyalya has not married yet; right now she is in Riga, in practical training; she meets with Aleck (?).

We hug and kiss you,

/s/ Aunt Valya and Uncle Illya.

January 24, 1963.

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