1936 Feb 21 - Various dignitaries and family members to Abdullah Sa'ade and his sons Bethlehem

To Mr. Abdullah Saade and his respected sons,

Greetings, etc. This is to inform you that on this date, the following dignitaries met in the house of Jurgi Saade: Mr. Elias Ishaq Abu Jaghab, Mukhtar of Ramallah, Mr. Ibrahim Azuz, Mr. Shukri Farhat, with our brother in law, Suleiman Farhat, for the sake of Katerina and her cousin Suleiman Farhat. After deliberation concerning their issues of disagreement, we came to an understanding that they want to reconcile. For it became clear that if they continue in this dispute, they would lose their money, their children and their honor. In the meeting of the above dignitaries, and in the presence of Mr. Anton Karra'a and his wife Na'ame we have decided to write to Katrina requesting that she return here with her children and to sell what they jointly own [in America], since at the present time, her cousin Suleiman is unable to travel to her for the situation is more conducive here with his property and income is better here than in America, for we hear that people in America are unable to make ends meet. It was decided therefore that it is better for their material wellbeing that she return. For this reason, we came to you asking for your help to convince Katrina to return and we thank you in advance for our joint duty to preserve the honor of the family. And God will compensate you for your efforts. Everyone here sends their greetings to you and your family.

Signed, Suleiman Jiryes Farhat Shukri Farhat Ibrahim Azuz Jurgie Yacoub Saade Elias Ishaq Jaghab Anton Odeh Karra'a Na'ame, the wife of Anton Karra'a

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