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House of Commons,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear John:

I am enclosing herewith the application of Miss. Florence Irene Patterson for a passport to travel to England for the purpose of enlisting in the Auxiliary Territorial Service. I enclose the two photographs that are required, one of which has been certified, and I also enclose Money Order payable to The Receiver General of Canada, and also a letter which Miss. Patterson has received from the Director of Auxiliary Territorial Service in England.

Miss. Patterson is prepared and indeed anxious to go to England at her own expense for the purpose of enlisting in this service. She has had a medical examination and is quite satisfied that she can comply with the requirements of the service.

Lately I know that new regulations have been made about passports and I suppose the object of these regulations is to prevent people from going to England who would be of no earthly use over there and who, as a matter of fact, would only be an additional burden. However, in this case, Miss Patterson is going for a specific purpose and the letter from the Auxiliary Territorial Service, which is enclosed, should demonstrate beyond any doubt that she will be accepted in the service. Then again the fact that she is prepared to pay her own fare to England is pretty positive proof that she is anxious to be of some service.