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Dear Mr. Mæsdorp,

Thank you for your letter of October 5th. By now you may or may not know that I have withdrawn the book from the S.P.C.K. I must admit that I do not feel any confidence in a publishing house which objects to the number of words in a book before they have even read it. Just by chance I met the Revd. Tubby Eaton the other day and he told me that I would be much better off with a firm like William Collins or Hodder and Stoughton.

Thank you nevertheless for your offer of help.

Yours sincerely

Alan Paton