To the Secretary of the London Missionary Society,
the Reverend W. Ellis,
Very Reverend,
in London,

Dresden, **19th Feb. 1838**

Venerable Sir!

Although we have already thanked you verbally through our representative, Reverend Wermelskirch, for your informative letter of January 25th of last year, we feel compelled to repeat our gratitude in writing on this auspicious occasion.
Indeed, due to the support we have received from the President of the South Australian Colonization Company, Mr. G. F. Angas, we have been able to establish our own mission in South Australia, and for this purpose, we have chosen two missionaries from our society, Reverends Teichelmann and Schürman, whom we would like to introduce to you here.

While we have not been guided to focus on East India or South Africa as you suggested, but have instead been directed to an area where nothing has yet been done for the spread of the Kingdom of God, we have nevertheless gladly decided to send two brothers jointly, in the presence of the Lord and His apostles, as you have pointed out to us. They will initially work together, and if they later choose separate fields of activity, this will not happen until the number of workers has increased. We trust that the Lord will be with them, as we confidently hope, and will prove through their actions that it was not we who chose this difficult, uncharted field of work out of our own hearts, but that He has directed us to it according to the unfathomable counsel of His will.

We commend our emissaries to your intercession and Christian love, and particularly request, if it is not presumptuous, that you send them your annual report and your monthly missionary bulletin in the future. All packages you send to Mr. G. F. Angas, No. 2, Jeffery Square, St. Mary Axe, will be promptly delivered.

We have correctly received your latest annual report, as well as all issues of the 1837 missionary bulletin, and express our sincere gratitude for them. We are still missing the October issue of 1836, and we kindly request its prompt forwarding.

Until January, we have received your shipments about Berlin, and if this method suits you, it may continue; but if it would be less inconvenient for you to have them delivered to Mr. Angas's office, they would reach us regularly along with other missionary publications.

In grateful response to your kindness, we have the honor to send you our latest annual reports, in which you will find the essentials of our previous year's experiences; later on, we will also take the liberty of sending you a complete copy of our missionary newspaper.

Please receive our love in the Lord; we too will always take a keen interest in the further blessed works of your society.

With sincere respect, we remain, Your Most Reverend Sir,

The Committee of the Evangelical-Lutheran Missionary Society.