

Auschwitz, 12.14.44

My beloved Butzele!

Your letters from November 29th, December 8th and December 9th have arrived. I thank you for them from the very bottom of my heart. In these letters you address the question of our moving, and I'm glad to see that we agree on major points that we have to consider. The date is the only thing that's difficult. You don't want to come for Christmas; you prefer the time after the Holidays. I don't think that's a good idea since the days before the holidays are really bad to start your journey. It would also mean that we're once again not together on Christmas Eve!

Naturally, I cannot come to visit you, and I won't be able to pick you up. I might be able to ask Wirths to send a nurse to travel with you. But I know you understand that I would like to avoid asking him. Do you really think it's impossible for Karl to come along? Or maybe your father? If it looks like he's being evacuated, they will have to give him a travel permit! I forwarded your wishes to our man who's responsible for housing (Wilks). I think your requests will be met.

It's too bad that you didn't decide earlier, since you had planned on being here by now. But since it takes such a long time to send mail nowadays, you have to decide