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Battersea

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6.7.14.

Dear Miss Strachey.

The Battersea Committee will be very much obliged if you will be so kind as to give us your opinion on the following matter.

The wording of the form of membership for the L.S.W.S. has recently come under discussion by our Committee - namely, the precise meaning to be attached to the term 'Law-abiding'. It is held by some of our Committee to exclude from membership those who have resisted payment of their taxes or are in sympathy with tax-resistance.

A few of our members are undoubtedly in favour of such action, but the question has rather come up in connection with other people who have been approached with a view to becoming members; some of these have pointed out that the term 'Law-abiding' definitely excludes them.

Yours faithfully,

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Dear Mrs. Cliff,

I have consulted the Executive Committee with regard to your letter of the 6th. instant, and they consider that the meaning of the word " law-abiding" in regard to tax resistance must be left to each member to interpret individually as the matter appeals to his or her understanding.

You are no doubt aware that the N.U.W.S.S. discussed the policy of tax resistance at a National Council Meeting a year or two ago and decided not to adopt it.

Yours sincerely,

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