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Dear Sirs,

We thank you for your letter dated May 22, 1976, and can tell you that Kristi Sexe - born in 1886, married Meland, have made several tapestries for us. Untill 1954.

With regard to the Baldishol tapestry - we can only go back to the year 1927 - and therefore we can not prove anything about this tapestry before this year.

We believe-however-that the Baldishol tapestry is woven by Kristi Sexe Meland, by order from DEN NORSKE HUSFLIDSFORENING, as D.N.H., is woven in the lefthand corner. If this is correct - the tapestry is sold from our store in usual way.

There is a possibility that Kristi Sexe Meland have got the order directly - and that she used a pattern hired from us, with "copy - D.N.H." drawed on the patttern. In that case - this is not registred here by us.

The only thing we can say for sure - is that the pattern is copied by us - and has been given to several weavers in our country.

We send the photo in return.

Yours faithfully DEN NORSKE HUSFLIDSFORENING

Synnøve Tidemand