

1 June 1949



June 1<sup>st</sup>  
on the C46 – 3 ½ hrs. out from Lydda

Dear Folks,

This has been a long day – starting at 4:30 this morning when the houseboy brought us tea at the Crescent Hotel in Aden to wake us up. We left the airport in Aden about 6:15 for Djibouti. Djibouti is as hot as Aden & quite a dump. We had breakfast at the leading hotel there, but it looked like the cockroaches were ready to walk out & shake hands with you. Anyway, we had steak & (tough & unappetizing!) eggs ^ for breakfast, also salad & some very good dry red wine, for which Djibouti is apparently famous. I took some pictures, too, so you'll get a chance to see what it was like. One of those places that it's interesting to see once – but once is enough.

Last night in Aden we went swimming after supper & that is a treat. The water's very warm, but you do feel a bit cooler afterwards. We'll reach Lydda Airport around 6 tonight.

Later: - at Tel-Aviv.

Am enclosing some pictures that had just come back & were waiting here at the hotel.

XX Tinky X