Exmo. señor George S. Messeramith.
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My dear friend:

I desire to express to you through these lines the very real and deep satisfaction which the expressions of your kind letter of March 12 have given me. The form in which you have expressed yourself concerning my person is not new for me, for you have always overestimated my capacities, which demonstrates to me the personal sympathy which you have for me, and which on my part is reciprocated in a manner which gives me great pleasure and constitutes for me one of my deep sentiments.

I should say to you that the success of the Conference was in my opinion the result of the cooperation of so many capable elements, among which I may appear as one who has particularly benefited by the labors. The American Delegation contributed very greatly to the success of this Conference and I have the conviction that in the work of that Delegation, your actuation, always so distinguished, and your good judgment, rectitude and generosity brought a contribution which I am sure has been fully appreciated by the Secretary of State, Mr. Stettinius, and his immediate collaborators.

On other occasions I have expressed to you the admiration which I have for your gifts as a diplomat, intelligence, austerity, simplicity and patriotism. In every act in which you collaborate this admiration on my part has increased, and it gives me a positive pleasure to note how much these qualities of yours are so generally appreciated at their full value.

I do not wish to end this letter without saying that in so far as you refer to me personally, I consider it a very real fortune to have carried on the activities which have fallen to my lot in this historic epoch in the Ministry of Foreign Relations, and your
being the Ambassador of the great American people, as you represent one of the elements most representative of the virtues of your people as well as represent a clear vision of the great statesmen who today direct your country.

Your letters I shall conserve as a source of pride for me and for my family. Be good enough to receive the expressions of my very sincere appreciation and the assurances of the profound and cordial affection which your friendship inspires in me.

/s/ E. Padilla