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Dear Friend:

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I have your letter of June 2 which I received yesterday and I was able to read last night the three notes on Spain, one in English and two in French, which you were good enough to send me. I found them intensely interesting and helpful. I need not tell you what concern the situation there and elsewhere causes us. I am going to translate the notes in French so that I can bring the whole document to the attention of the Secretary who I am sure will be much interested. I am most grateful to you for having sent me these.

I had a talk with Mr. Duncan over the telephone the other day and he gave me some interesting news which he had had from you over the trans-Atlantic telephone with regard to possible monetary arrangements between England and this country and further devaluation of the dollar. What Mr. Duncan said came as a complete surprise to me as I naturally follow these matters rather closely and I had no knowledge of any such proposals having been made to us by England nor any information that further devaluation here was being considered. This, of course, does not mean that such proposals may not have been made or that such devaluation may not be considered. All I can say is that I consider it extremely doubtful whether there is any solid basis to these reports.

I have had, I think, as busy a two weeks as I have ever had in my rather busy 37 years of work. Congress is in the last days of the present session and we expect it to adjourn tomorrow evening. As the legislative officer of this Department, I have had an unusual burden in addition

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to my other duties. I shall be very glad when adjournment actually comes.

I hope that you had an interesting and successful trip to Germany and I note with special interest that you will be writing me on your return. As soon as Congress adjourns I hope to be able to write you at some length.

My wife and I are both hoping that you and Mrs. Heineman will be coming over in the summer or early fall and we look forward very much to seeing you.

With every good wish,

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. H. H. H.", is written in dark ink. The signature is fluid and somewhat stylized, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.