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## Department of State Washington

January 28, 1943.

My dear Friend:

I have read with interest your letter of January 23 with which you sent me the revised copy of the letter which you intended to send to the President of the Argentine with regard to certain matters affecting the activities of your companies in the Argentine, with some general observations on this situation. I have shown this letter to Mr. Duggan, a Political Adviser of the Department of State, and to Mr. McGurk who are both in agreement that they see no reason why you should not forward this letter, either through the open mails or through the Belgian diplomatic pouch, as you may see fit.

I was so glad to hear your voice over the telephone this morning but sorry to hear that you are not feeling so fit. I hope you will be prudent and take good care of yourself. I shall be here until February 9 and expect to leave for New York not later that the morning of February 10. If you decide to come down this week I hope you will let me know at the Club or at the Department.

With all good wishes to you and the family, Faithfully yours,

Sgd: G. Messersmith

Do take care of yourself Sgd. Gray

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