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VIA **WESTERN-UNION**  
14, Rue Saint-Michel - Sint-Michielsstraat, 14

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I REGRET BEYOND MEASURE THAT I CANNOT ACCEPT INVITATION TO PROCEED LONDON BRUSSELS AND PROBABLY OTHER PLACES IN CONNECTION WITH BARCELONA TRACTION STOP WERE IT NOT FOR UNAVOIDABLE AND URGENT OBLIGATIONS WHICH MAKE IT INDISPENSABLE FOR ME TO BE IN MEXICO NOW AND I BELIEVE FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS I WOULD MAKE EVERY PERSONAL AND OTHER SACRIFICE TO MAKE THIS TRIP AND WOULD ALREADY HAVE LEFT FOR LONDON STOP YOU KNOW HOW CLOSELY I HAVE FOLLOWED THE AFFAIRS OF THE BARCELONA TRACTION IN RECENT YEARS NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE MATTER FOR THE COMPANY BUT ALSO

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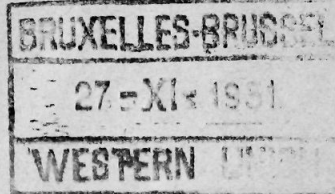
BECAUSE I HAVE REALIZED THE REPERCUSSIONS IN SO MANY WAYS  
WHICH THE CONTINUANCE OF THE UNJUST AND OUTRAGEOUS TREATMENT  
WHICH THE COMPANY IS RECEIVING FOR THE SPANISH AUTHORITIES  
AND OTHERS WILL HAVE ON MATTERS AFFECTING COUNTRIES AND  
PEOPLES IN A DEGREE EVEN MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE EFFECT ON  
ANY ONE COMPANY STOP WHILE AS A MATTER OF ORDINARY JUSTICE AND  
CORRECT PRACTICE THE TREATMENT WHICH THE COMPANY HAS RECEIVED  
IS UTTERLY IMPROPER IT IS MY CONSIDERED OPINION THAT BASIC  
PRINCIPLES AFFECTING INTERNATIONAL PRACTICE COMMA PRIVATE  
ENTERPRISE COMMA AND A MAINTENANCE OF ECONOMIES ARE CONCERNED  
STOP IN THESE DAYS MORE THAN EVER THE MAINTENANCE OF JUST  
TREATMENT AND PROVED SOUND CONSTRUCTIVE INTERNATIONAL

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PRACTICE ARE AT STAKE IN AN EQUITABLE SOLUTION OF THE **DN**  
BARCELONA TRACTION MATTER AND AS AN INEQUITABLE SOLUTION WILL  
IN MY OPINION BE CERTAIN TO HAVE SERIOUS REPERCUSSIONS NOT  
ONLY FOR THE COMPANY AND SPAIN BUT FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF  
PRINCIPLES IN WHICH ALL RIGHT THINKING COUNTRIES ARE CONCERNED  
AND WHICH IS IN THEIR INTEREST COMMA I AM ALL THE MORE DEEPLY  
GRIEVED AND CHAGRINED THAT I AM NOT IN A POSITION TO ACCEPT  
YOUR INVITATION TO MAKE THIS TRIP AND TO LEND SUCH HUMBLE  
SUPPORT TOWARDS A JUST SOLUTION AS MIGHT BE IN MY POWER=

=GEORGE S MESSERSMITH=