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## STATE DEPARTMENT CLEARS U.S. CONSUL IN EINSTEIN AFFAIR

Wire from Stimson to Messersmith in Berlin Commends Tact and Discretion

(From The Herald and Herald Tribune Bureau)

BERLIN, Monday.—George S. Messersmith, American consul-general in Berlin, has been exonerated by Secretary of State Stimson of the accusation of discourtesy to Professor Albert Einstein in granting a visa to the famous physicist.

In a cable received by Messersmith from the state department today, dated December 10, Stimson said:—

"I explained to the press this morning that you were absent from Berlin at the time Professor Einstein called and that in accordance with instructions given by you he was received by your staff with the utmost courtesy and consideration, and given the examination required by our laws to be given to all persons seeking visas, and as a result of that examination the visa was granted.

"It was made clear that the duty imposed upon consuls by law was in your absence performed by your staff with commendable tact and discretion, and the action has the department's complete approval."