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## REORGANIZATION OF GOVERNMENT FOREIGN SERVICES

Under legislation already approved by Congress, and with the approval also of the Departments concerned, it is proposed to consolidate into a single Foreign Service of the Department of State the foreign commercial services of the Departments of Commerce and Agriculture.

In order that exporters and importers might be fully informed of this proposed unification of the foreign services, the Hon. George S. Messersmith, Assistant Secretary of State, was invited to address a small group on the subject. Attached is a brief summary of this address and of the comments by Mr. Farrell.