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The Hon. George S. Messersmith,
Assistant Secretary of State,
State Department,
WASHINGTON

Dear friend,

I am ashamed at not having thanked you earlier for your two letters of the 18th February and your further letter of the 28th February.

As a matter of fact I did prepare a long letter for you but I have not sent it because upon looking over it again I do not feel quite satisfied with its contents.

But I shall certainly write you within a few days, especially as I have just recently had the visit of Dr. Brüning and Dr. Goerdeler, and yesterday, Dr. Schacht.

Your letter was really quite prophetic. You stated exactly what would happen in Austria after the Berchtesgaden conversation, and I think Czecho-Slovakia's fate will be practically the same after a little while. But that will not be the end.

Well, I shall be writing you next week. Meanwhile I send you and Mrs. Messersmith my best wishes in which my wife joins.

Cordially yours,

Heinrich