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Dear Dannie :

With reference to the ~~letter which you wrote~~ to Mr. Maryssael on July 3 and his reply to you of July 8, concerning a trip north during the stay of Brosens, so as to have an opportunity to talk over the service contract, I conveyed certain information to Mr. Loris over the telephone this morning.

First of all, we have been working long hours to get out this information for the World Bank so that several of our people could go north at the earliest possible moment. I called Mr. Consolo of the World Bank this morning and told him that we would have the information ready by Thursday afternoon, July 16, and that Mr. Fernández del Busto, chief electrical engineer of the Company, and Mr. Goldstein, would leave that evening and meet with the Bank officers on Friday, July 17. He called me back later to say that it would be more convenient for the Bank to have them arrive on Sunday and have their first meeting on Monday, July 20, at 10 a.m.

We have therefore arranged for Ing. Fernández del Busto and Mr. Goldstein on July 19, Sunday, to leave by Panamerican-Eastern. I am asking Mr. Loris to make appropriate hotel reservations for them in Washington. I doubt whether it will be necessary for them to remain in Washington for more than two days. In any event, Mr. Fernández del Busto will go to New York after completing his work in the Bank to spend a day with Mr. Lepaige as I understand that there are certain problems he wishes to discuss with Lepaige.

It was our original intention that Mr. Buchanan should also make this trip, but since last Sunday he is confined to bed with very high temperature, and this morning his illness was diagnosed as typhoid. According to the doctor he will be obliged to absent himself from work about five weeks. It seems that it is quite a bad attack.

Mrs. Maryssael is to be operated on in the French Hospital here this coming Friday. Under these circumstances I feel quite sure that Mr. Maryssael will not be able to leave here for about a week thereafter. In any event I have told Mr. Loris over the telephone to say to you that in my opinion it is much more important for Mr. Maryssael to be here while the officers of the Bank will be making their visit, than to be in New York on the matter of the Service Contract, important as that is also. I

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feel quite sure that you will agree that it is more important for Mr. Maryssael to be here while officers of the Bank are here to talk with the Mexican authorities. I cannot now foretell when that will be, but as our people will not be in the Bank now until Monday, July 20, I should think that whoever comes down here from the Bank, would not be doing so before the end of the week or during the following week. It is of course important that they should come as soon as possible, and they themselves appreciate this. Under these circumstances you will appreciate that Mr. Maryssael cannot make any definite plans now for leaving here.

As I understand Brosens is arriving tomorrow and may be in New York until the end of the month, it is altogether possible that Mr. Maryssael may be able to get up there towards the end of the month and therefore be able to discuss these other matters there during the stay of Brosens. We shall know from developments what is possible. If it is not possible to discuss the Service Contract during the stay of Brosens, we shall have to do it a little later.

Marion is feeling much better and is naturally greatly relieved over the reports of the doctors. I have been going very hard since my return, and it is really quite obvious to me that I shall have to slow up my pace somewhat.

I told Mr. Lorie over the telephone this morning that, as these meetings will take place in Washington with the Bank, it will be desirable for him to be there, and he will undoubtedly wish to arrange to go to Washington on Sunday, July 19, to be there for the meetings beginning in the morning of July 20.

I am sorry we had so little time to be with each other this last trip. With love and good wishes to you and the family from Marion and myself,

Cordially and faithfully yours,

George S. Messersmith.

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