



LEGATION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Riga, Latvia,

December 12, 1932.

My dear Messersmith:

I merely write to express my sympathy with you on account of newspaper criticism in connection with the Einstein visa. Those who know you need not be told that, whatever you did, was undertaken in the discharge of a duty laid upon you by law, and that it is not in your nature to show discourtesy - or anything resembling it - to anyone. The way of the public servant is not always easy, and newspaper articles, such as the ones to which I refer, do not make it any easier.

Sincerely yours,

Robert P. Skinner.

George S. Messersmith, Esquire,
American Consul General,
Berlin.

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