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May 28, 1933.

The Honorable William Phillips

Undersecretary of State

Washington, D.C.

My dear Phillips,

I postponed writing to congratulate you upon your appointment, thinking I should visit Washington soon after my recent return from Europe and be able then to do so in person. Inasmuch as I seem never to go to Washington nowadays, let me send you my congratulations and very best wishes for success. I was particularly glad to hear of your appointment because of our former association,- and for several other reasons.

It may interest you to know that I too felt that the country required a change and that the election of President Roosevelt was of the utmost importance; and I accordingly did everything in my power to promote it.

Wishing at least to contribute any useful ideas I might have, I have mailed to the White House and to Mr. Moley some memoranda on American foreign and economic policies. I asked Mr. Moley to hand them to you after he had read them, thinking you might care to read them also. I felt that you will agree with me, for one thing, that an entente of all the English speaking peoples should be the keystone of British and of American policies; and that the British and American navies should be kept strong, and in as favorable a ratio

as now to the Japanese navy.

With renewed congratulations and good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely

HW/HB