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## Letter From Francis Mairs Huntington-Wilson to John V. A. MacMurray, July 17, 1942

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July 17, 1942.

The Honble John V.A. MacMurray,  
c/o The Department of State  
Washington, D.C.

Dear MacMurray,

Dorothy Dearing told me the other day, when we motored over to see her at Red Hook, that you were again in the Department, back from the Embassy at Constantinople. That makes two people I know in the State Department of 1942,- the other being Summerlin, to whom please give my regards.

I have followed with sympathetic interest your fine career all these years. Now, as I grow old, I have a firm desire to see you again. We have lived here in the country for about seventeen years. Now, as befits my age, I am busy writing my memoirs; and that brings back old days and a desire to see old friends (while the seeing is still good). If you are ever in this region, you must come to see us. Anyhow, if you feel at all as I do, let us contrive to meet one of these days.

I have about passed the Far Eastern part of my recollections; so don't think I shall question you about the complicated and futile past. Anyhow, I have in the shelf at my shoulder your magnum opus of all the broken treaties &c., that ever were supposed to affect that region.

No doubt you are carrying on under conditions we should both have regarded as peculiar in the old days. This is my officious guess. In any case, I send you all good wishes and the best of luck. Whatever happens, you have behind you a most enviable and admirable career in the service.

Yours very sincerely

F.M. Huntington-Wilson.