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Letter From Francis Mairs Huntington-Wilson to Mabel T. Boardman, November 19, 1909

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Dear Miss Boardman:

I am awfully sorry, but I think it would be humanly impossible for the Department of State to spare an inch of place, much as we would all like to give a room to the Red Cross. You know the War and Navy Departments have encroached upon us and we are now so crowded that we have had to put two bureaus in the Union Trust Building and a bureau and one large office in our building across the street; and still we are very snugly fitted in to the rooms we have here. I wish the Red Cross could afford to rent a suite of rooms or a small building in this neighborhood. Cannot we do so as soon as the endowment fund is well started?

With the kindest regards, and with very real regret that it seems quite impossible for us to help out with a room, I remain, always,

Very sincerely yours,

Miss Mabel T. Boardman,

The American Red Cross,

Washington, D.C.