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LOTHIAN, LORD PHILIP

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The University Club  
Toronto

Feb. 1, 1939

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Everything that has happened confirms me in my conviction that there will be neither peace nor stability in the world until we can convince the *dictators* that they cannot get results by bluffing or *THRUSTING* westward because the democratic control of the seas (X) is as firm and invincible in this century as it was in the last --though this can no longer be established by Great Britain alone. Unless we can convince them of this, there will be no respite from the threat of war, no dream of disarmament, no possibility of economic recovery. So long as there is uncertainty about this, there will continue to be trouble. What we want is the certainty which the Principle of the Monroe Doctrine gave to North and South American applied to the oceanic democracies and their control of the seas.

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The University Club  
Toronto

February 10, 1939

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Dear Mr. President:

My dear Lord Lothian:

This is a very abject note of apology.

Through some blunder or oversight, your note of February first to the President was misplaced and did not come to his attention until yesterday.

Frankly, I am very much afraid that the fault is all mine because it showed up on my desk.

I have explained this to the President and he asked me to drop you a little line of explanation and also to tell you he was sorry he did not have an opportunity of seeing you while you were here.

Sincerely yours,

M. H. McINTYRE  
Secretary to the President

The Marquess of Lothian,  
Blickling Hall,  
Aylsham,  
Norfolk,  
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28th February 1939.

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*[Handwritten signature]*  
L. Sturges  
17th Feb 1939

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SEYMOUR HOUSE,  
17, WATERLOO PLACE, S.W.1.

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28th February 1939.

Dear Mr. Marvyn McIntyre

Many thanks for your letter. Having once been a Secretary to a Prime Minister I can understand your difficulties. I ought to have done what I usually do and have written a letter personally to you at the same time, but unfortunately I was greatly rushed at the moment in Canada and omitted this essential precaution. I am naturally very sorry not to have seen your great President again, but I hope that next time I come to the United States he will give me the honour of another interview. I tried to see you when I had my interview with him in January, but you were out of the White House.

Yours sincerely,

L. Picard

M.H. McIntyre, Esq.,  
The White House,  
Washington,  
U.S.A.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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2 January, 1939.

Memorandum For Secretary McIntyre:-

To-day after the Marquis of Lothian concluded his appointment with the President, *he* expressed a desire to shake hands with you and to thank you for arranging his appointment. He asked me to express these sentiments and to tell you that on his next visit to Washington he would anticipate seeing you.

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TELEGRAM

The White House  
Washington

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New York, Dec. 30, 1938.

Marvin McIntyre:

Many thanks. Will be in Washington from lunch time Monday till Wednesday evening. Will ring you and find out time on Monday morning. Staying British Embassy.

Lothian.

*staying until I hope he arrives on  
while to see me when I am in*

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Yours ever,

(Signed) LOTHIAN

*Lothian*

STANDARD FORM No. 14A  
APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT  
MARCH 10, 1926

P. P. P.  
FROM

The White House  
Washington

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DECEMBER 28 1938

# TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATES

MOST HONORABLE  
THE MARQUIS OF LOTHIAN #  
THE CENTURY ASSOCIATION  
7 WEST 43rd St  
NEW YORK NEW YORK

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 131254

Jan. 2, 3 or 4

THE PRESIDENT WILL BE DELIGHTED TO SEE YOU. WILL YOU BE  
GOOD ENOUGH TO PHONE ME AFTER YOUR ARRIVAL IN WASHINGTON.

REGARDS

M. H. McINTYRE  
Secretary to the President

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Yours ever,

(Signed) LOTHIAN

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THE CENTURY ASSOCIATION  
7 WEST FORTY-THIRD STREET  
NEW YORK

Dec 26 1938

Dear Mrs. L. C. ...

You told me that ...  
was in ... of ...  
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that I wrote a note ...  
President - from ...  
saying that I hoped he would be  
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Puritan Hotel, Boston

18th The Century Club  
63rd Street  
New York

December 21, 1938

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(Signed) LOTHIAN

Lothian

Address till Dec. 27

Washington. I am - part of  
my time I expect to be in  
Washington on January 2. 20  
fourth. If he could see me  
one of these days it would be  
splendid.

I shall be at the Quaker  
Hotel, Boston till Wednesday  
next, & after that, here,

tell Mr. Colverton

Hoping to see you

Yours

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*Have  
all be glad to see  
him for a few minutes  
give him 15 minute off  
when he arrives*

Address till Dec. 27  
The Puritan Hotel, Boston

from 28th The Century Club  
63rd Street  
New York

French Line  
S. S. Normandie

December 21, 1938

Dear Mr. President:

Could you let me come and have a talk with you about the present world situation. It has changed greatly since I last saw you 2½ years ago, and I have lately been in Australia, New Zealand, India, Egypt, Rome and Paris, as well, of course, as in London, where I saw the Prime Minister the day before I sailed.

I shall be back in New York on December 28th, and shall probably go to Washington at the end of that week for a day or two before going West.

Nancy Astor sends her usual enthusiastic messages to you!

Yours ever,

(Signed) LOTHIAN

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January 25, 1936.

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Hon. James A. Moffett, X  
Palm Beach, Florida.

~~Lord Lothian~~ <sup>LOTHIAN</sup> brackets Phillip Kerr <sup>v</sup> brackets leaving for Palm Beach tonight Stop Took the liberty suggesting he get in touch with you Stop Former Secretary Lord Balfour very interesting. Nothing official, Best to you and Kim.

M. H. McIntyre.

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On the way

PALM BEACH  
FLORIDA  
BOX 577

Jan 28. 1976

Dear Mrs. L. L. Lutz

also: I was unable <sup>to</sup>

feel words of J. K. Hoffatt during  
my two days at - Palm Beach.

I rang up his house, went round  
with I rang again:- No answer  
anywhere. I was told

some one that he was probably

on his yacht.

Thank you for your kindness  
I for a very pleasant visit to  
the White House - I ~~to~~ sail  
on the Heron for a time

My best love



L. Otis

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MARCH 10, 1926

*New England*

FROM The White House  
Washington

DECEMBER 28 1938

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mourning his untimely passing."

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

FOR THE PRESS

DECEMBER 12, 1940  
No. 529

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The President today issued the following statement on the death of Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador:

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"I am deeply shocked and grieved at the news of the death of Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador. It was my good fortune to count him as a personal friend over a period of many years. As Philip Kerr and the private secretary of the wartime British Prime Minister he displayed an understanding of and friendship for the United States that continued throughout his long and distinguished career. As the Marquess of Lothian he continued his many contacts and friendships with this country and made a real contribution toward understanding between our peoples.

"His appointment as British Ambassador last year was a fitting and natural recognition by his Government of the lifelong efforts of a great figure toward good relations between our two countries.

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FROM: THE PRESIDENT  
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PLEASE SEND FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM TUSCALOOSA AT SEA 0715 FOR THE  
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OF MY OLD FRIEND AND YOUR AMBASSADOR THE MARQUIS DE LOENLAT THROUGH  
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OTHER I AM VERY CERTAIN THAT IF HE HAD BEEN ALLOWED BY PROVIDENCE  
TO LEAVE US A LAST MESSAGE HE WOULD HAVE TOLD US THAT THE GREATEST  
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FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

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*Sent to State by teletype from Naval Communications*

to General Greely, War Dept., Munitions Bldg. visional  
January 8, 1941, by messenger. (Room 1032)

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FROM: THE PRESIDENT  
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FROM: THE PRESIDENT  
ACTION: STATE DEPT WASHN

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FROM: THE PRESIDENT 121712  
ACTION: STATE DEPT WASHN

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ALSO YOU CAN RELEASE MY MESSAGE TO THE KING CONTAINED  
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*Sent to State on Naval Communications teletype*

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

General Watson  
Will you speak  
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1-3-40 [1941]

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

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Memorial over the ashes of Lord Lothian.

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Sent to General Greely, War Dept., Munitions Bldg.  
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Brigadier General, U. S. Army  
Commanding, Washington Provisional  
Brigade.

J. N. GREELY  
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Brigadier General, U. S. Army  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL WATSON:

Stanley Woodward, in Mr. Summerlin's office, phoned that the attached letter should state -- x 20

Lord Lothian's sister had previously requested that the ashes be returned to England as soon as possible. Now she says she has no objection to their remaining here until the end of the war.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DIVISION OF PROTOCOL

MEMORANDUM

January 31, 1941.

General Watson,  
The White House.

Dear Pa:

The British Embassy now has word from Lord Lothian's relatives in England that his ashes may remain here until the end of the war.

As you know, the ashes are now in safe-keeping at Arlington and, if the President approves, I believe they should remain there until final disposition is practicable.

Could you let me know if the President concurs, in order that I may inform the Embassy.

George T. Summerlin

*The reason for keeping ashes here is correct.*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL  
August 30, 1939.

MEMORANDUM

Writes to General Watson, the Marquess of Lothian, the newly appointed Ambassador of Great Britain, has assumed the duties of his office in Washington. Enclosed copy of the remarks January 31, 1941, will hand to the President and a copy of the President's reply, which the President will hand to the Ambassador. Enclosed a biographical sketch of the Ambassador, General Watson, was written by the Secretary of State sending the two communications to the President by the Most Honorable the Marquess of Lothian. General Watson said he was sending a copy of the Ambassador's remarks, as well as the President's response.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Chief of Protocol,  
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General Watson, on Aug. 31st, wrote the Secretary of State sending the two communications which were left with the President by the Most Honorable the Marquess of Lothian. General Watson said he was sending a copy of the Ambassador's remarks, as well as a copy of the President's response.

SEE 48 (Official File)

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ELY, Miss Gertrude  
Bryn Mawr, Pa.  
Apr. 27, 1939.

Writes to the President saying she is glad that Lord Lothian is to be sent here and believes his first expression of policy re the debt will do much to persuade this country that we must, at least, put ourselves on a working basis with England. Says she has been staying the South Carolina district where the Santee-Cooper River project has been discussed and was impressed with wide divergence of figures, etc. Encloses statement.--On May 3, the President replied thanking for her note. Says the Charleston paper, "The News and Courier" represents everything that is reactionary in the South. Says it is the old row between the landed gentry and the field laborers. Mentions Nick Roosevelt, of Pa. Says most of the opposition to Santee-Cooper comes from absentee landlords. Says it will develop power and prevent floods and give lots of work. It will not kill all the ducks from Florida to Maine. Says he approves it.

SEE P.P.F. 3154

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MARQUIS OF LOTHIAN,  
London, England.  
Nov. 18, 1936

Letter to Mr. McIntyre, enclosing an article from The Observer,  
a leading English newspaper, which contains an interpretation of the Roosevelt  
Election, written by the Marquis of Lothian.

See 1113 (Official File)

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SEE - 48 for a mimeographed copy of the Dept. of State's press release, dated Aug. 30, 1939 re "Remarks of the Newly Appointed British Ambassador, The Most Hon. the Marquess of Lothian, C.H., Upon the Occasion of the Presentation of His Letters of Credence", and copy of the President's reply for this occasion.

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WELLES, Hon. Sumner  
UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,  
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Sent to the President copy of personal letter he received from Lord Lothian under date of June 8. Asked to be advised as to reply. -- Lord Lothian wrote re possibility of training British and Canadian air pilots in the United States. --- The President replied to Mr. Welles, June 15, stating his opinion on matter.

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MILFORD, Sir Humphrey  
London, England,  
Dec. 20, 1940.

Sends radiogram to Felix Frankfurter saying the Oxford Press is publishing both in England and America the American Speeches of Lord Lothian. Wants to know if the President will write an introduction for the book.---- Attached is memo. to Mr. Frankfurter of Dec. 21 from the President saying he wished he could do this but it was against the rule.---The President, on Dec. 23, wrote Mr. Frankfurter saying he was returning Mr. Milford's cable and saying he was sorry he could not grant this request.

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ASTOR, The Viscountess  
Bucks, England  
December 28, 1940

Wrote to Mrs. Roosevelt on Dec. 28 expressing gratitude for the way she and the President spoke about Lord Philip Lothian, and discussing his work. Asks if it would do any good for her to come to the United States to talk to the women. Says she is sure they will like Lord Halifax and his wife. -- The President replied on Feb. 19, 1941, thanking her for the letter, and stating that she along should be the judge about coming to America at this time. -- (The President's letter is as per draft supplied by Stanley Woodward, Division of Protocol, Department of State, Feb. 15, 1941, in response to Gen. Watson's request of Feb. 10, 1941.)

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KERR, Admiral Mark  
London, S.W. 3,  
England,  
March 3, 1941.

The President wrote thanking the Admiral for letting the President know that his Inaugural Address carried so clearly to England. The President said the death of Lord Lothian was a great shock to all. The President said he admired Lord Lothian's self-sacrifice in the vital cause of true, understanding Anglo-American friendship and that we could best show our appreciation of his splendid accomplishment by implementing this friendship in every practicable manner. General Watson, on March 3, sent memo. to Hon. George T. Summerlin, State Dept. re the transmittal of the President's letter to Admiral Kerr.

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BINGHAM, Barry,  
Office of Civilian Defense,  
Washington, D. C.  
May 2, 1942

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Writes note to the President stating that he has just returned from three months in England during which he studied civilian defense methods on behalf of the Office of Civilian Defense. Encloses a letter which Lady Astor gave him with the request that he forward same to the President.--On 5/5/42 the President wrote memo for the Under Secretary of State as follows: "What do you think I should do about the enclosed letter from Nancy Astor? Should it be answered or not?" He transmitted: Letter from Barry Bingham, Office of Civilian Defense, 5/2/42, to the President enclosing letter for the President from Nancy Astor, Cliveden, Taplow, England, 4/7/42, in re use of "Cliveden Set" in referring to isolationists, defeatists, etc. Lady Astor, in her letter also referred to Lord Lothian, and to Mr. Pegler.--On 5/6/42 Mr. Welles returned correspondence to the President, and stated that it does not seem to him that any useful purpose would be served by discussing the question mentioned, "since differences of opinion on questions of this kind are certainly not going to be settled through any discussion of them."

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