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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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3 - 9 - 1940

My Dear Mr. President.

It has been a great privilege  
for my brother and me to be received  
by you and Mrs. Roosevelt in the  
Whitehouse and I beg to express  
to you my best thanks for your  
very great kindness.

I will not fail to present to  
you my respects before sailing back  
to Europe.

Believe me, My Dear Mr. President,  
to be,

yours truly

*W. of Austria.*

*Otto of Austria*

*P. P. H.*

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February 9, 1942.

*Minister  
to arrange*

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My dear Otto:

I shall be delighted to see you again and I will have General Watson call up Count Czernin to arrange for you to come in some afternoon and have tea.

Very sincerely yours,

H.R.H. Archduke Otto of Austria, #  
The Broadmoor,  
Washington, D. C.

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The Broadmoor, Washington, D.C.  
February 3rd, 1942.

*My dear Mr. President,*

It is more than a whole year since I have had last the great pleasure of seeing you. I have not made an attempt to do so, as I know well that in these days your high responsibilities leave you no time except for matters of a truly urgent character.

Today however I take the liberty of asking you for an interview, as I feel that the questions I should like to discuss with you may have some significance for the conduct of the war as well as for the planning of post-war Europe.

It is for a particular reason that I am asking for an interview just at this moment: I feel that if certain decisions are to be made, they must be made soon in order to be effective.

With my sincere best wishes, I am, dear Mr. President,

*Yours*

*Willi of Austria.*



WASHINGTON'S DISTINCTIVE APARTMENT HOTEL

THE BROADMOOR  
*Washington D.C.*

CONNECTICUT AVENUE AT PORTER STREET

3rd February 1942.

Dear Miss Tully,

H.I.M. the Archduke of Austria has instructed me to write to you and ask you to be good enough to transmit to the President the enclosed letter from the Archduke.

Please forward the answer to the Archduke at the Broadmoor. The telephone Nos. are Emerson 3978 and Woodley 6900 ext. 315.

Thanking you for your kindness

I am very sincerely yours

*Count Edmund Czernin.*

Count Edmund Czernin.

in attendance on

H:I:M. Archduke Otto  
of Austria.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 20, 1942

MEMO FOR MHM

*Henry*

*Essex House*

*nyc.*

Count de Begneseld, Aide to  
Archduke Otto <sup>x</sup> phoned while you were  
with the President. He will call  
back about three o'clock - didn't  
leave any number since he was going  
out.

TOI

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*July 1 - 1942*

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY EARLY TO TAKE UP  
WITH THE PRESIDENT, FRIDAY MORNING, AUG. 21.

1. The Aide to Archduke Otto 'phoned from New York. He advises that the President told the Empress Zita that he would have Otto come in for luncheon Monday or Tuesday of next week. The Archduke is asking which of these days he is expected, and if he may bring his brother, the Archduke Felix.

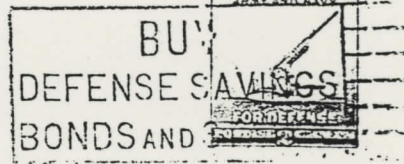
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*Otto, Arch Duke*  
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Arch Duke Otto of Austria received last year a letter from the President saying Gen. Watson would get in touch with him some time about an appointment. Since then has heard nothing more about his request for an appointment.

TOI

*no* *Citric - Harry*  
*Harry going home*



Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
President of the United States  
The Whitehouse  
Washington, D.C.

Otto of Austria  
The Broadmoor  
Washington, D.C.

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August 27th, 1942

My dear Mr. President,

It was a great pleasure for my brother Felix and myself to have had the opportunity of a long and extensive talk with you yesterday.

We were particularly interested to hear certain parts of your great plans for the post-war: I feel that they would mean a long peace for Europe.

As for the Austrian and Hungarian question it was gratifying to see your sympathy and support for these two people. As you know, the Austrians and Hungarians have the greatest confidence in you personally and in the American people. The Austrians are confident, that the sense of justice which is the dominant character of your politics and your public utterances will soon permit them to be full fledged and equal righted associates in the war effort of the United Nations.

Be assured, Mr. President, that we and with us all the good elements of the Austrian nation will do the utmost in the support of you and your country in this war for the survival of our christian civilization. We pray God to give you the strength and courage to carry through the great task of winning both the war and the peace.

It was indeed a great privilege for us to have seen Mrs. Roosevelt.

Hoping to have soon again the pleasure of a talk with you and with my and my brother's warmest regards, I remain, my dear Mr. President,

Yours very sincerely

*Will of Austria.*

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*permanently*



November 19th, 1942

My dear Mr. President,

On the historic occasion of the creation of an Austrian Battalion in the U. S. Army, I express to you, Mr. President, on behalf of all patriotic Austrians, who never ceased to fight the ruthless Nazi aggressor, our deepest gratitude. Through you the noble American Nation has given proof of the sincerety of its high aims and principles to fight for the freedom and equality of rights of all nations.

The Austrian nation will never forget that it was through you, Mr. President, that we were able to keep up the proud ideals of liberty and to continue its fight towards final victory.

All Austrians trust in your continued favor and support of their just cause.

I am looking forward to our next meeting and remain in deep gratitude

Yours very sincerely

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*Chief of Austria.*

COUNT EDMUND CZERNIN \*

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or EMason 3978



Washington  
April 29, 1943

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My dear Mr. President,

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A short time ago my brother Robert of Austria has arrived for the first time in this country. He has been since the beginning of the present war in London. He is bound to leave this country again in a few days.

My brother will spend the week from today to next Thursday here in Washington. He has asked me whether he could have the great pleasure to call on you one of the next days.

I would be very grateful if you, Mr. President, could fulfill this wish of my brother who is a really great admirer of yours.

With my most respectful regards I remain, dear Mr. President,

Yours very sincerely

Otto of Austria.

Otto of Austria  
(2nd. Austrian ...)

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January 7, 1944

My dear Otto: ~~Dear Otto:~~

I should like to express my appreciation of your letter of December 18, 1943 conveying to Mrs. Roosevelt and to me your Christmas and New Year's greetings.

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I, too, pray that the year 1944 may see the end of this most terrible of all wars which was forced upon the peoples of the world by the ruthless aggression of Nazi Germany and Japan, and the establishment of peace for generations to come.

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Please let me extend to you, your Mother, and all the children my greetings for a happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

(Sgd) FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

H.I.H.

The Archduke Otto, #

P. O. Box 4866,

Cleveland Park Station,

Washington, D. C.

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January 7, 1944

My dear Otto: ~~also Otto:~~

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The Archduke Otto,  
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Cleveland Park Station,  
Washington, D. C.

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*Please  
have revisions  
into changes*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

January 5, 1944

My dear Mr. President:

I return herewith the letter of Archduke Otto,  
addressed to you on December 18, 1943, together with  
a reply drafted for your signature.

Faithfully yours,

Enclosures:

1. From Archduke Otto,  
December 18, 1943.
2. Letter addressed  
to Archduke Otto.

The President,

The White House.

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I should like to extend to you our greetings for a happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

H. I. H.  
The Archduke Otto,  
P.O. Box 4866,  
Cleveland Park Station,  
Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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*Please let me*  
~~I should like to~~ extend to you *your Mother and all the children my* greetings  
for a happy New Year.

Very sincerely yours,

H.I.H.  
The Archduke Otto,  
P.O. Box 4866,  
Cleveland Park Station,  
Washington, D. C.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 22, 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE: *+20*

FOR PREPARATION OF REPLY  
FOR MY SIGNATURE.

F.L.R.

Letter from Otto of Austria, Washington, D. C.,  
12/18/43, to the President, extending message  
of Christmas greetings.



Washington D.C., December 18th 1943.

Dear Mr. President,

On the occasion of the impending Christmas Feast I want to express to you, Mr. President, as well as to Mrs. Roosevelt my warmest wishes of the season.

I pray that 1944 will bring the crowning of your tireless efforts for a just and lasting peace. May God graciously grant you in the coming year the fulfillment of this and of all that you desire for the best of the American people as well as for the happiness of humanity in general.

I am, Mr. President,

respectfully and sincerely yours

*King of Austria*

P. P. F.

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February 1, 1944.

Dear Otto:

That was a mighty nice birthday letter which you sent to me and I want you to know how very much I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

With every best wish to you and  
yours,

As ever,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

H.R.H.  
Archduke Otto of Austria, #  
Broadmoor Apartments,  
Washington, D. C.

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Washington, D.C.  
January 28, 1944

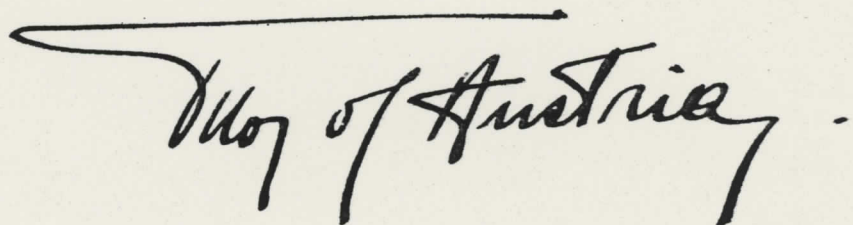
Dear Mr. President,

May I express to you on the occasion of your birthday my very best wishes for your personal happiness and all possible success in your inspiring example and tireless work for your great country.

I pray to God that He may grant you His blessings and give you all the strength needed to lead the United Nations and your country to victory and a just peace to follow.

I remain, dear Mr. President,

Yours respectfully and sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "King of Austria". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal line above the first few letters.

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February 8, 1944.

Your Imperial Highness:

The President was indeed sorry that he was not able to see Archduchess ~~Adelheid~~<sup>xA</sup> while she was in Washington, but I know you will understand how very busy he is during these difficult days.

I, too, was sorry not to be able to have the pleasure of meeting your sister, but I do hope she will come to Washington soon and that I shall then have a chance to see her.

I want to tell you again how very grateful I am for that very lovely wood carving of the Virgin and Child which you sent to me for Christmas. I shall always treasure it. Ever so many thanks for thinking of me.

With my warm regards, and I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you soon,

Very respectfully yours,

Grace G. Tully  
Private Secretary

H.R.H. #

Archduke Otto of Austria,  
The Broadmoor,  
Washington, D. C.

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x Grace G. Tully - Invitation  
x Grace G. Tully - Gifts

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February 23, 1944.

Your Imperial Highness:

I have your letter of February nineteenth, which I have shown to the President. I am sorry to tell you that the President will not be in Washington between February twenty-fourth and twenty-seventh. This, of course, is "off the record". Perhaps we can arrange a few minutes after your return.

With every best wish,

Very sincerely yours,

Grace G. Tully  
Private Secretary

H.R.H.  
Archduke Otto of Austria  
The Broadmoor  
Washington, D. C.



Washington D.C.  
February 19th 1944.

Dear Miss Tully:

Following the conversation I had recently with the President, I would be very grateful if you could tell the President what follows:

The line which was established already since a certain time has given me a great amount of vital information which I just work over for the President. This information will be essential in order to understand military and political moves in this question. The work of translation into English and of summarizing will be finished by Thursday February 24th at noon. Only a few informations can because of their nature not be put in writing.

I remain here in Washington until Sunday, February 27th in the morning, when I will have to leave for over a week. If it would therefore be convenient to the President, I would be glad if in the time between Thursday noon and Sunday morning he could find a few minutes to see me, in order that I might be able to give him the written reports and the oral explanations.

If the President would have only time on Sunday the 27th or on Monday the 28th, I could postpone my departure.

With my best regards to you I am,  
dear Miss Tully,

Yours very sincerely

*Dr. J. F. Austria.*

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OFFIE, C.- State Dept.,  
Aug. 27, 1940.

Writes to Miss LeHand re Otto of Hapsburg's request that the President and Mrs. Roosevelt receive his mother, the Empress Zita, sometime between Sept. 1 and 15. The Empress is on her way to Canada.--George Summerlin, Chief of Protocol, State Dept. Sept. 4, sent memo. to Gen. Watson re the luncheon party for Archduke Otto and the members of his family to be arranged for Sunday, Sept. 8, at Hyde Park. Says the following will attend: Archduke Otto; His mother, the ex-Empress Zita, known as the Duchess of Bar; His sister, the Archduchess Adelaide; his brother, Archduke Carl Ludwig. Says Archduke Felix may accept tomorrow. The luncheon will be at 12:45 p.m. --Gen. Watson wrote Mrs. Roosevelt Sept. 4 sending copy of Mr. Summerlin's memo. for her information.

SEE - 166 (Official File)  
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deHEDRY, Etienne  
Baltimore, Md.  
Nov. 11, 1940.

Writes to Gen. Watson on behalf of the Archduke Otto of Austria. When the Archduke saw the President the last time at Hyde Park, he asked him to call on him (the President) the next time he came to Washington. The Archduke is going to spend a few days in Washington, and in case the President had time, would like an audience with him.

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ARCHDUKE OTTO of Hapsburg-Lorraine  
New York City

1-25-41

Wrote a letter to General Watson asking for appointment with the President  
on either the 4th, 5th or 6th of February, 1941.

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WELLES, Hon. Sumner  
UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,  
1-4-43

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Wrote to Mr. Early suggesting replies for the President to make to questions pertaining to the Archduke Otto\* of Hapsburg and the Free Austrian Battalion now in process of organization by the War Department. Explained why Secretary Hull feels it very desirable that the President make such a statement. Enclosed copy of a confidential memorandum from J. Edgar Hoover, F. B. I., showing kind of propaganda which is going on, most of it emanating from Czechoslovak and Yugoslav sources.

\*(Otto von Hapsburg)

SEE C.F. STATE, WORLD WAR II

STATE DEPARTMENT,  
11/16/44.

The President, by memo., referred for draft of reply for his signature - letter from Felix of Austria, Washington, D.C., 11/8/44, to Miss Tully, with enclosed letter of the same date for the President, congratulating the President on his reelection.-----  
Mr. Summerlin, Dec. 13th, wrote Miss Tully enclosing letter for the President's signature.--The President, Dec. 15th wrote to the Archduke Felix thanking him for his friendly sentiments and asked that his greetings be conveyed to his brother, Otto.

SEE P.P.F. 6441

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OTTO, ARCHDUKE of AUSTRIA

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Material relating to the  
visit of Archduke Otto,  
ex-Empress Zita and other  
members of the family to  
Washington and Hyde Park, etc.

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OTTO, ARCHDUKE of AUSTRIA

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Letter to Watson from  
Etienne de Hedry asking for  
an "audience" with Roosevelt  
for Otto.  
Otto's letter to Watson again  
asking for an appointment.  
Watson's reply.

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1-25-41  
1-28-41

OTTO, ARCHDUKE of AUSTRIA

OF 166-A

Letter from Count Henry Degenfeld  
with a mimeographed bulletin,  
Austrian and Hungarian Internal  
Informations, which he writes came  
from Otto.  
Miss Tully's reply.

1-23-45  
Dec. 1944  
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OTTO, ARCHDUKE OF AUSTRIA

Otto's proposal for a Hungarian Council of  
Resistance and Cordell Hull's memorandum.

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4-4-44

OTTO, ARCHDUKE OF AUSTRIA

Ambassador Bullitt's letter concerning  
a talk with Otto about the question of  
French and British recognition of the  
Austrian National Committee.

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France:

Bullitt

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OTTO, ARCHDUKE OF AUSTRIA

Message to the Secretary of State from  
Ambassador Bullitt concerning his talk  
with Otto about Hitler's statements in  
March at Berchtesgaden as to the dates  
and order in which he would seize the  
countries of Europe and then conquer  
the United States.

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France:

Bullitt

3-12-39

OTTO, ARCHDUKE OF AUSTRIA

Material relating to Otto.

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