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The White House

Washington

Koebenhavnhof Jan. 5, 1939

LC. THE PRESIDENT:

The Crown Princess and I thank you for your kind invitation
which we accept with the greatest pleasure.

Frederek

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December 13, 1938.

My dear Prince Frederik:-

I am happy to know that there is a possibility that you and Her Royal Highness, the Crown Princess Ingrid, will be able to come to the United States this Spring, and it will give Mrs. Roosevelt and me the greatest of pleasure to have you both as our guests.

The Exposition in New York is to be opened by me on Sunday, April thirtieth. I am not yet certain whether I will go from there to my country home at Hyde Park or return to the White House. At whichever place I am, I hope that you and Her Royal Highness can come and visit us.

I am especially glad to know that you expect to go through the Panama Canal, land at San Francisco and come to New York across the Continent.

When you see Prince Axel, will you give him my warm regards. We were shipmates in 1918.

With my sincere regards,

Faithfully yours,

His Royal Highness

Frederik,

The Crown Prince of Denmark.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DIVISION OF PROTOCOL

MEMORANDUM

March 17, 1939

VISIT OF THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES CROWN PRINCE FREDERIK
AND CROWN PRINCESS INGRID OF DENMARK
AND ICELAND

Crown Prince Frederik

Crown Princess Ingrid

✓ Captain Commander Johan V. F. Vest) Chamberlain

The Minister of Denmark

Madame Wadsted

✓ Countess Sybille M. L. Reventlow) Lady in Waiting

✓ Captain Lieutenant Philip C. Weilbach) Aide-de-Camp

✓ Mr. Karl I. Eskelund) Press Liaison Officer

There will be four servants attached to the party
(2 at Hyde Park).

The Crown Prince of Denmark will arrive at Los Angeles, California, on April 6 and visit the Golden Gate International Exposition at San Francisco, making a tour of the United States (see attached itinerary).

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt have invited the Crown Prince and Crown Princess to visit them at Hyde Park, where they will arrive on April 30 about 6:00 p.m., leaving May 1 at 10:00 p.m.

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Denmark

Warm Springs, Ga.,
April 4, 1939.

Dear Ben:-

If the Post Office is ready to be dedicated on May first, I will be there with great pleasure.

I will have staying with me on that day the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Denmark and will bring them to the dedication.

Because we have much to do that day, I think my participation in the ceremonies must be limited to fifteen or twenty minutes, but that need not prevent the exercises from starting before I get there or continuing after I leave.

It would be a great convenience to me if I could make my little speech from the automobile, and I take it that the car could be driven up near the front of the building.

I will speak very briefly of the old Beekman House and of the desire to perpetuate the old stone architecture in the County: also of the historical panels by Olin Dows and the gift of the corner stone of the old building and the original pane of glass by Mrs. Suckley -- both of these to be permanently exhibited in the lobby of the Post Office.

As to time, it would be most convenient for me if you could set it at three-thirty in the afternoon.

Let me know if this is agreeable and what all the plans are.

Always sincerely,

Benson R. Frost, Esq.,
11 Market Street,
Poughkeepsie,
New York.

PERSONAL

April 19, 1939.

Dear Ben:-

So far as I am concerned it is all set for Monday, May first. I suggest that the dedication day exercises include the laying of the corner-stones. This has been arranged with Admiral Peoples.

I have also told Procurement that the actual wielding of the trowel will be done by His Royal Highness, the Crown Prince of Denmark.

I will, of course, as you suggest, get out of the car as long as I do not have to walk more than a few feet, but I do not want to climb up on a platform.

As there will be a very large crowd, and on account of Royalty being present, I am taking up the question of having a Band from West Point and a platoon of troops.

Make your own decision about a loud speaker.

I fear we cannot have a war-ship there on account of recent events.

It will be good to see you too.

Always sincerely,

Benson R. Frost, Esq.,
Rhinebeck,
Dutchess County,
New York.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 12, 1939

Memorandum For The President.

Benson Frost telephoned to say the building at Rhinebeck will not be completed inside by May first, but the outside will be finished and they will have some grass around it. They are going ahead with that date unless you tell them otherwise.

Here are the requests he makes for the dedication:

1. Would it be possible to get a band from Governor's Island?
2. Could they have a contingent of soldiers as long as the Royal party will be there?
3. How about loud speakers?
4. Could you have a cruiser up there?

Outside of that they seem to be running the dedication themselves!

M. A. L.

Post Office Dedication Day

Rhinebeck, New York

GENERAL COMMITTEE

A. Lee Huber }
James R. Bourne } *Co-chairmen*
Lewis F. Winne, *Secretary*
Edward B. Tewksbury, *Treasurer*
Ralph B. Wheeler

April 14th 1939

RECEPTION and PROGRAM

Benson R. Frost
Alvah G. Frost
Henry Schaad

Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D. C.

My dear President Roosevelt:

FINANCE

James S. Gibson
Lea L. Stewart
Henry C. Grube

I have before me your letter of April 11th suggesting the postponement of the laying of the corner-stone at the new Rhinebeck post office until the building is fully completed. I also note the letter from Admiral Peoples.

TRAFFIC

William H. O'Brien
John Duffy
John Curran

In view of the fact that so much has been done toward the Dedication ceremony on May 1st it has been suggested that we proceed with the Dedication on that day. It has also been suggested that we might incorporate in the Dedication Exercises the laying of the corner stone. The ceremony could be very brief; your car could be driven to a point within a foot of the corner-stone, and it would be our hope and wish, of course, that you place the stone.

PARADE

Wallace W. Foster
Irving J. Staley
William Lown

Very frankly, this is the thing that we would most like to have done; but we do want to follow your own wishes and ideas in the matter. We are so delighted over the fact that we are getting this fine building with its historic setting and back-ground, and we are so grateful and appreciative of your fine interest through all the negotiations from the very start and of the fine way of showing your interest by coming here to the dedication, that we want to do what you think and feel would be most appropriate under the circumstances.

DECORATIONS

Harry N. Martin
Donald W. Haskins
William Tieder

PUBLICITY

Jacob H. Strong, Jr.
Harold C. Davis
Tracy Hester

With every good wish, I am,

Most sincerely yours,

Benson R. Frost

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April 11, 1939.

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New York "R"

Dear Ben:

I enclose letter from Admiral *21-2/
Peoples. He suggests putting the cornerstone
laying off until the building is ready for
occupancy. What do you think?

Very sincerely yours,

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

Benson R. Frost, Esq., *PP73831
Rhinebeck, New York. *Her

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Post Office Dedication Day

Rhinebeck, New York

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Ralph B. Wheeler

April 13th 1939

RECEPTION and PROGRAM

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Alvah G. Frost
Henry Schaad

Miss Marguerite LeHand
Secretary to the President
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss LeHand:

FINANCE

James S. Gibson
Lea L. Stewart
Henry C. Grube

We are a bit disturbed over the arrangements for the Dedication Exercises at the new Rhinebeck post office on May 1st 1939. The President expects to arrive about 3:30 PM and will have with him the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Denmark. He has indicated that he will give a short address of about fifteen or twenty minutes. The exercises are known as "The Dedication Exercises."

TRAFFIC

William H. O'Brien
John Duffy
John Curran

It has now occurred to us, in view of the President's letter to me of April 11th., that we might include in the Dedication Exercises the laying of the corner stone which bears the name of the President and of other government officials who have been instrumental in the erection of the building. If that is done, the President should really leave his car for that purpose, although he has expressed his wish that he speak from the automobile. The car could be driven up to a position within a foot or two of the corner-stone, and the ceremony could be very short.

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Wallace W. Foster
Irving J. Staley
William Lown

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Harry N. Martin
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William Tieder

PUBLICITY

Jacob H. Strong, Jr.
Harold C. Davis
Tracy Hester

I am sure that nothing would please our local people better than to have the President leave the car just for a moment and officiate at the corner-stone laying. As a matter of fact, there is also a Legend-stone which could be placed at a later date, and probably upon the occasion of the opening of the building for occupation. However, if the President would prefer to return at a later date to lay the corner-stone when the building is fully completed except for the murals (which I understand will not be finished before Fall) we would be

very glad to arrange for the corner-stone laying at some time to suit the President's convenience.

I am answering the President's letter and simply suggesting that of course we want to do what he thinks would be most appropriate and what he would most like to do.

Post Office Dedication Day

Rhinebeck, New York

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Ralph B. Wheeler

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RECEPTION and PROGRAM

Benson R. Frost
Alvah G. Frost
Henry Schaad

And because of my previous correspondence and telephone conversations with you, I am bringing the matter to your attention at this time and making suggestions, knowing that you will discuss the matter with him.

FINANCE

James S. Gibson
Lea L. Stewart
Henry C. Grube

Most sincerely yours,

Benson R. Frost

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Miss LeHard

April 24, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR COL. STARLING:

The following activities are scheduled to take place at Hyde Park.

- Friday, April 28th - dinner for the Norwegian Crown Prince and Princess at 8:00. The Vassar College Choir will sing after dinner.
- Saturday, April 29th - picnic for the Norwegians. Cars will meet at the big house at 12:30 and proceed to the picnic grounds. They will be entertained by Norwegian singers and dancers. Mr. Henry Junge will bring them.
- Saturday, April 29th - dinner for the Norwegians at 8:00
- Sunday, April 30th - dinner for the Crown Prince and Princess of Denmark at 8:00. Music will be furnished by Miss Kraus and her accompanist, and Mr. Carl R. Maxson's Y.M.C.A. quartet of Salem College.
- Monday, May 1st - picnic for the Danes. Cars will meet at the Big house at 12:30 and proceed to the picnic grounds. There will be no entertainment.
- Monday, May 1st. - Dinner for the Danes at 8:00.

MRS. J. M. HELM
Secretary to Mrs. Roosevelt

This memo has been sent to Mr. Summerlin, Mr. Woodward, Mr. Early, Gen. Watson, Captain Callaghan, Miss Thompson, Mr. Grim *Miss LeHard*

Miss LeHand 50

DANISH PICNIC AT HYDE PARK
Monday afternoon, May 1, 1939,
at 12:30 o'clock.

The President and Mrs. Roosevelt

Mrs. James Roosevelt

T.R.H. The Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Denmark and Iceland

The Minister of Denmark and Mme. Wadsted

Capt. Comdr. Johan V. F. Vest

Countess Sybille M. L. Reventlow

Capt. Lt. Philip C. Weilbach

Mr. Karl I. Eskelund

Count Arliefeldt

Countess Caritas Bernstorff

Capt. Daniel J. Callaghan

Miss Nancy Cook

Lt. Col. W. C. Crane

Miss Laura F. Delano

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Delano

Miss Marian Dickerman

Mr. Olin Dows

Mrs. Tracy Dows

~~Miss Willy Goodman~~

Mr. William D. Hassett

Mr. Henry S. Hooker
Lt. Comdr. Walter R. Jones

Miss Dorothy Junge

Mr. Henry Junge

Miss Marguerite LeHand

Adm. Ross T. McIntire

Mr. Earl Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Morgan

The Secretary of the Treasury and

Lt. John F. Newman, Jr.

Mr. Henry Osthagen

Miss Jean Rogers

Miss Ellen Roosevelt

Mrs. J. R. Roosevelt

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Stanley-Brown

Miss Margaret L. Suckley

Mr. Robert B. Suckley

Miss Malvina C. Thompson

Miss Simone Van Haver

Brig. Gen. Edwin M.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank R. Wilson

Comdr. Lloyd J. Wiltse

Mr. Stanley Woodward

Remark

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 26, 1939

MEMORANDUM FOR MISS TULLY:

Harris & Ewing will send Mrs. Roosevelt's photographs to Miss Thompson, who will carry them to Hyde Park for signature.

Mrs. Roosevelt will send #2 pictures to H.R.H. Crown Princess Martha - Norway and H.R.H. Crown Princess Ingrid - Denmark

She will give #3 photographs to

Mrs. N. R. Ostgaard - Norway
Countess Sybille M. L. Reventlow - Denmark

MRS. HELM

April 18, 1939

MEMORANDUM:

Photographs of the President will be given to the following:

No. 1 photograph	The President of Nicaragua The King of England
No. 2 photograph	Hon. Dr. Manuel Cordero Reyes - Min. of Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua Mr. de Valera - Prime Min. of Ireland H.R.H. Crown Prince Olav - Norway H.R.H. Crown Prince Frederik - Denmark Earl of Eldon - England Earl of Airlie - England
No. 3 photograph	Mr. Joseph Walshe - with Mr. de Valera Capt. Comdr. Johan V. F. Vest - Chamberlain - Denmark Maj. N. R. Ostgaard - Chamberlain - Norway 1st Lt. Octavio Sacasa - Aide to Pres. of Nic. 2nd Lt. Pedro Nolasco Romero - Aide to Pres. of Nicaragua Mr. A. Lascelles - King and Queen Surgeon Captain H. White - with King and Queen Mr. G. F. Steward - with King and Queen Capt. M. Adeane Lt. Col. The Hon. Piers Legh Comdr. E. M. C. Abel-Smith

**MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT
REQUISITION AND INVOICE**

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY
Washington, D. C.
Account No. 00000 Requisition No. S. D. 744-30
ST. ANGELO, TEXAS
19

Total allotment, \$..... This requisition, \$..... Balance, \$.....

VIA: BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY FOR APPROVAL

[illegible]

APPROVED: _____

Navy Department, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery,

Approved. To be furnished by Medical Supply Depot at _____

TUPLICATE. (FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH.)

Chief of Bureau.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT REQUISITION AND INVOICE

Ships will indicate prospective itinerary during ensuing three months.

Name of Port Probable date of Arrival Departure

REMARKS:

SHIPPING INFORMATION

Shipped, date: Route To
Bill of Lading No. N- For transshipment to
Remarks:

VALUES, BY SUPPLY TABLE CLASSES AND SUBHEADS

Class No.	SUPPLIES	Class total	Subhead totals
1	Drugs.....		
2	Tablets.....		
3	Hypodermic tablets.....		
4	Biologicals.....		
	Total, subhead 06 (Classes 1, 2, 3, and 4).....		
6	Surgical Instruments and Appliances.....		
8	Surgical Dressings.....		
13	Hospital and Nursing Supplies.....		
	Total, subhead 07 (Classes 6, 8, and 13).....		
10	Dispensary and Laboratory Supplies, Reagents and Stains.....		
11	Dispensary and Laboratory Supplies, Miscellaneous.....		
18	X-ray supplies.....		
	Total, subhead 08 (Classes 10, 11, and 18).....		
23	Dental Instruments, appliances and accessories.....		
25	Dental fracture appliances and laboratory material.....		
25a	Precious metals.....		
27	Dental medicines, tablets, preparations and dressings.....		
	Total, subhead 10 (Classes 23, 25, 25a, and 27).....		
17	Stationery.....		
30	Blank forms.....		
	Total, subhead 11 (Classes 17 and 30).....		
5	Diets.....		
	Total, subhead 14 (Class 5).....		
29	Field supplies.....		
	Total, subhead 59 (Class 29).....		
	Total, supplies.....		
	EQUIPMENT		
7	Surgical Instruments and appliances.....		
9	Surgical dressings.....		
12	Dispensary and laboratory equipment.....		
14	Hospital and nursing appliances.....		
15	Bedding and linen.....		
19	X-ray equipment.....		
	Total, subhead 60 (Classes 7, 9, 12, 14, 15, and 19).....		
22	Dental operating room equipment.....		
24	Dental Instruments, appliances and accessories.....		
26	Dental fracture appliances and laboratory equipment.....		
	Total, subhead 64 (Classes 22, 24, and 26).....		
16	Books.....		
	Total, subhead 72 (Class 16).....		
28	Field equipment.....		
	Total, subhead 74 (Class 28).....		
	Total, equipment.....		
	MORTUARY SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT		
20	Mortuary supplies.....		
	Total, subhead 52 (Class 20).....		
21	Mortuary equipment.....		
	Total, subhead 73 (Class 21).....		
	Total, mortuary supplies and equipment.....		
	GRAND TOTAL.....		

Received in good condition, in the quantities stated, and at invoice value.

Date: M. C., U. S. N.

INSTRUCTIONS.—1. Upon shipment of stores the medical supply depot filling the requisition will enter the packing-box number opposite each item on the THIRD of the requisition, and that copy will be forwarded to the officer making the requisition. After verification of the shipment the THIRD shall be duly receipted and replace the SIXTH in the files of the ship or station. As soon as practicable after the shipment of stores the FIRST, with values of stores entered by the supply depot filling the requisition, will be forwarded with the SECOND to the officer making the requisition, who shall receipt both copies and be forwarded to the Bureau to replace the FIFTH, and the FIRST returned to the medical supply depot that filed the requisition to replace the FOURTH.

2. UNDER HEADING "REMARKS" enter serial number of property strikes when requesting replacements, reasons for requesting unusually large quantities of supplies and additional equipment, especially reason and necessity for nonsupply table items, and any other information that be deemed necessary.

3. See paragraph 3442, Manual of the Medical Department, and Instructions in the Supply Table of the Medical Department.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT REQUISITION AND INVOICE

U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT Account No. 00000 Requisition No. S. D. 743-30
Washington, D. C. 27 April 1939 19 April 1939 Average complement

Total allotment, \$..... This requisition, \$..... Balance, \$.....

VIA: BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY FOR APPROVAL.

ITEM NO.	PRICE NO.	ITEM	UNIT	MINIMUM STOCK	ON HAND	RE-ORDERED	VALUE (See Instructions)
1	1-333	Whisky, (Golden Wedding), 1 pt. bot.	bot.			24	
NOTE: Authority: BuM&S telegram request of 27 April 1939.							

APPROVED: M. C. U. S. N.
 Submit in triplicate to the Medical Supply Depot at NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY
 Approved: To be furnished by Medical Supply Depot at NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY
 Submit in triplicate to the Medical Supply Depot at NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY
 (Insert: "FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH, FIFTH")

MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

REQUISITION AND INVOICE

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VAL BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY FOR APPROVAL

DATE	BY	FOR	BY	FOR	BY	FOR	BY	FOR	BY	FOR

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8	Surgical Dressings		
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Total, subhead 07 (Classes 6, 8, and 13)			
10	Dispensary and Laboratory Supplies, Reagents and Stains		
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18	X-ray supplies		
Total, subhead 08 (Classes 10, 11, and 18)			
23	Dental instruments, appliances and accessories		
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27	Dental medicines, tablets, preparations and dressings		
Total, subhead 10 (Classes 23, 25, 25a, and 27)			
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Total, subhead 11 (Classes 17 and 30)			
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[1939]

His Majesty King Christian -
Copenhagen - Denmark

We are happy in having your very
delightful and charming son and daughter
with us at our home and we are about
to set out on a family picnic. This
afternoon the Crown Prince has graciously con-
sented to lay the cornerstones of a new Post Office
in my country thus clearing away the many books
sent us on the Danish and American Profiles. I send
you every good wish and my sincere regards.

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CABLE

[Original in L Hand
Scrapbook]

Sorgenfrihof,
April 30, 1939.

The President
Hyde Park (via the White House)

We are very grateful for the kind reception you have given
our children and for all obligingness shown them by the auth-
-orities during their stay in the United States.

Cristian R.

The following is a copy of the President's reply, which was
handwritten on the reverse of the original copy of above
cable:

"His Majesty King Christian -
Sorgenfrihof - Denmark

(Handwritten copy to M.A.G.H.)

We are happy in having your very delightful and charming
son and daughter with us at our home and we are about to set out
on a family picnic. This afternoon the Crown Prince has
graciously consented to lay the cornerstone of a new Post Office
in my country (county?) thus cementing anew the many bonds
between the Danish and American Peoples. I send you every good
wish and my sincere regards.

(Signed) FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

TELEGRAM

Cable

Document

The White House
Washington

SORGENFRIHOF April 30, 1939.

The President

Hyde Park (via the White House)

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our children and for all obligingness shown them by the auth-
-orities during their stay in the United States.

Cristian R.

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Denmark-1939

Hotel Pierre
NEW YORK

May 10th 1939.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

On the last day of an
delightful visit to your country
I should like to thank you
& the President very much
indeed for all the kindnesses
you have shown us. We
have enjoyed ourselves so
much & feel very sad

at leaving this wonderful
country, which we feel
such a great admiration
for. Everybody has been
so charming to us & made
us feel at home from the
very first day. We did
so enjoy our stay with you
at Hyde Park & we thought
it very touching & kind of

You be want to see us again
next Sat. at the White House.

I do hope that we may
some day come back again
& see still more of this
wonderfully beautiful &
interesting country.

Yours very sincerely

J. M. Smith.

Countess of Denmark & Ireland.

Mrs. Roosevelt

Denmark - 1939

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DIVISION OF PROTOCOL

MEMORANDUM

May 11, 1939

General Watson:

The Crown Prince of Denmark handed me the enclosed letter to President Roosevelt on sailing yesterday.

S. Woodward

S. Woodward

SW:MEM

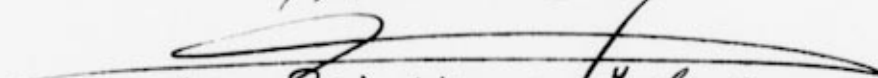
Hotel Pierre
NEW YORK

Dear President Roosevelt!
Before leaving the United States, I wish
once more to convey to you our warmest
thanks for the great kindness
and hospitality shown to us
during our unforgettable trip
through your country.

May I also say how very
happy we have been to meet
you and Mrs. Roosevelt. Our
stay at Hyde Park and the
tea at the White House will
remain in our memory as the
climax of this marvellous visit

to America.

Hoping that we may one day
have the great privilege of meeting
you again I remain sincerely
yours


Frederick

Crown Prince of Denmark & Iceland

Denmark - 1939

Marselisborg
Aarhus.



July 26th 1939.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

My husband & I are so
very delighted with the
charming gift you so
kindly have sent us
from your work shops at
Hyde Park. Thank you
very much indeed for

your kind thought of us.
It is a beautiful design
& so well made.

We never stop talking
of our marvellous trip
through your lovely
country. And we will
never forget the charming
& kind way in which
you & the President

received us.

Might I ask you to
give the President greetings
& thanks from us both.

Yours very sincerely

Ingrid.

Countess of Denmark & Iceland.

U.S.A.



Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt

The White House

Washington

D.C.

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ROYAL DANISH LEGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Washington (New
York)
August 8 1939

Dear Mr. Brewster,

I cannot say how
grateful I am for the excellent
picture with the extremely
kind dedication. I shall always
cherish it as a memory of the
great Brewster of the United
States to whom it was my

your fortune to be recorded
in some of the most epoch-
making years of the history
of the American people -
and, will you allow me to say
of the man to whom I shall
always feel a real and sincere
friendship.

I am leaving today for Denmark
on my way to my new post
in Rome. Our years in this
wonderful country have been
very happy. I will always return

a unique place in our hearts
by the birth of our only child
and we feel that we
are bound to the numerous
people with many warm ties.

Once more, our best thanks
for all your and Mrs. Roosevelt's
kindness to us. In return - we do
hope and our warmest wishes
for all success in your untiring
endeavors in the fulfillment of
your great task.

Always cordially
Ethel Weir

Department of State

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ENCLOSURE

TO

Letter drafted 8/23/39

ADDRESSED TO

General Watson



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to
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August 24, 1939

My dear General Watson:

Mr. Henrik de Kauffmann, the newly appointed Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Denmark, has assumed the duties of his office in Washington and is awaiting the pleasure of the President to receive him in formal audience.

I am enclosing a copy of the remarks which the appointed Minister will hand to the President upon his presentation.

A copy of the President's reply is also enclosed for him to hand to the Minister in exchange for the remarks which will be handed to the President. An extra copy of the President's reply is transmitted herewith, which may be retained for the White House files.

If there are any changes to be made in the President's reply to the remarks of the Minister,
will

Brigadier General Edwin Watson, U.S.A.,
Secretary to the President,
The White House.

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will you please let me know so that corrections may be made.

If you will be good enough to inform me as to the day and hour when it will be agreeable for the President to receive the Minister, I shall be pleased to let him know.

A short biographical sketch of the Minister is enclosed herewith.

Sincerely yours,


Chief of Protocol

Enclosures:

Copy of the Minister's remarks;
Reply to above, with extra copy;
Biographical sketch.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DIVISION OF PROTOCOL

White House:

The President's remarks
should be dated before they are
handed to the President.

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DRAFT OF
THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY
TO THE REMARKS OF THE
NEWLY APPOINTED MINISTER OF DENMARK AND ICELAND
MR. HENRIK de KAUFFMANN
UPON THE OCCASION OF THE PRESENTATION OF HIS
LETTERS OF CREDENCE

Mr. Minister:

It gives me great pleasure to receive from your hands the Letter by which His Majesty the King of Denmark and Iceland has requested me to receive you as His Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary. I am happy to receive you in that capacity and to welcome you to Washington.

I accept also the Letters of Recall of your distinguished predecessor, Mr. Otto Wadsted, who during his long service in Washington notably furthered the friendship which has so happily marked relations between the people of the United States and the peoples of Denmark and of Iceland.

You may be assured, Mr. Minister, that in the execution of your high mission you will receive my

sympathetic

sympathetic cooperation and that of all officials of the Government of the United States.

I shall be most grateful if you will convey to His Majesty King Christian my most cordial wishes for His happiness and well-being and for the continued peace and prosperity of the peoples of Denmark and of Iceland. Please also express to His Majesty the pleasure it gave me and the people of this country to welcome Their Royal Highnesses the Crown Prince and the Crown Princess of Denmark and Iceland during their recent visit to the United States. Their visit served as a fresh reminder of the similarity of the fundamental political principles which inspire the peoples of Denmark, of Iceland, and of the United States.

Denmark

Mr. Henrik Louis Hans de Kauffmann, newly appointed
Minister of Denmark to the United States

Mr. de Kauffmann was born in 1888. He was educated in Copenhagen; has a degree in law. He entered the Danish Foreign Service in 1911 and has held several offices in the Danish Foreign Office; Secretary of Legation in Berlin in 1916; he spent one year in the Danish Consulate General in New York (1913). He was assigned as Minister at Rome in 1921; Minister to China and Japan, 1924-1931; Deputy Delegate to the Assembly of the League of Nations, September 1931; Minister to Norway since 1932, from which post he was transferred as Minister to the United States.

Mrs. de Kauffmann is the daughter of Admiral W. D. MacDougall, United States Navy, Retired. She and their two small daughters accompanied the Minister to the United States.

In addition to his native language, Mr. de Kauffmann speaks English, French, German and Norwegian.

THE REMARKS OF THE
NEWLY APPOINTED MINISTER OF DENMARK AND ICELAND
MR. HENRIK de KAUFFMANN
UPON THE OCCASION OF THE PRESENTATION OF HIS
LETTERS OF CREDENCE

Mr. President,

I have the honor to present to You the letter from His Majesty the King of Denmark and Iceland containing my credentials as His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to You, and at the same time to hand over to You the letters of recall of my predecessor, Mr. Otto Wadsted.

The King, in appointing me to this important post, has asked me to convey to You, Mr. President, the expression of His Majesty's sentiments of esteem and friendship and commanded me to use all efforts to maintain and further develop the friendly and intimate relations which so happily exist between the peoples of Denmark and Iceland and the people of the United States.

It will be a most pleasant duty for me to carry out this Royal Order to the best of my ability, and I venture

to hope

to hope that I may, in my endeavor, count upon Your good will, Mr. President, and upon the assistance and cooperation of Your administration.

I was received by my Sovereign shortly before I left Copenhagen. His Majesty particularly instructed me to express to You, Mr. President, his very sincere appreciation of and deepfelt gratitude for the cordial welcome that was extended to Their Royal Highnesses the Crown Prince and the Crown Princess during their recent visit to the United States.

ROYAL DANISH LEGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

File General
April 10, 1940.

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I came to this country to represent my King and a free and independent people. That is what I still am here for. -

Democratic and peaceful Denmark has had to bow to overwhelming force. - My country is going through dark days.- It has done so before. We did not lose courage then and we will not lose courage now.

I will work for one thing alone, the re-establishment of a free and independent Denmark. Many will work with me and I know we shall succeed.

Re: Memo from Sumner Welles office dated-April 12, 1940

**Subject:Telephone conversation to Welles from Max Truitt,
of Maritime Commission re urgent situation in-
volving transfer of Danish shipping to American
flag and if not effected soon is afraid ships will
be comandeered by British.(about 97 ships involved)
(Longhand notation by President at top of letter--
reads as follows: "Not Approved-FDR"**

See:Maritime Commission-Drawer 2-1940

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Re; memo from Callaghan of April 30, 1940 transmitting
two memos---April 27th and 29th to Admiral Stark from
W. S. Anderson

No 1--Subject: DANISH GOVERNMENT ORDERS TO DANISH MINISTER
AT WASHINGTON CONCERNING AMERICAN RED CROSS
RELIEF FOR GREENLAND.

No 2--Subject: DANISH MINISTER AT WASH INSTRUCTIONS TO
DANISH REP IN GREENLAND.

SEE:Navy-drawer 1-1940(April 30, 1940)

ROYAL DANISH LEGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Denmark*

M E S S A G E

to

His Majesty King Christian X of Denmark

from

the United Greenland Councils,
meeting at GODHAVN on May 3, 1940:

Through its Councils, the people of Greenland desire to express to Your Majesty their profound understanding of the dark days through which You have lived and will have to live. We desire to assure Your Majesty that we fully share the sorrow that You and all the people of Denmark must feel. In these days of distress we wish to reiterate to Your Majesty our oath of unswerving allegiance to our mother country and our rightful King. We are looking forward to the day beyond the darkness when nothing shall separate us from our King.

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ROYAL DANISH LEGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

R E S O L U T I O N

adopted by

the United Greenland Councils

at their meeting at GODHAVN on May 3, 1940:

We, the people of Greenland, have witnessed with profound grief the aggression to which our mother country Denmark has fallen prey. At the same time it has caused us grave concern to see Denmark cut off from the work which she has been doing for the people of Greenland for more than two hundred years. It is our sincere hope that the day is not far off when peace and justice will be restored and when a free Denmark will be able to resume this work.

It has been necessary for the authorities charged with the responsibility for Greenland to seek new routes for our vital connection with the outside world. In these circumstances it has made us extremely happy to learn of the sympathy expressed officially and unofficially by the Government and the people of the United States, a sympathy which has found its latest expression in the establishment of an American Consulate in Greenland and the dispatch of U.S. Coast Guard Cutters to visit Greenland. It is our hope that, for as long as we remain cut off from our mother country, the United States Government will continue to hold in mind the exposed position of the Danish flag in Greenland, of the native Greenland and Danish population, and of established public order. We hope

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that the United States Government, taking into account our isolated geographical position, will facilitate the import of necessities and the export of our products.

While reiterating to our rightful King CHRISTIAN X of Denmark our oath of allegiance, which will be kept unwaveringly, we desire in this grave hour to convey to the President of the United States the deepfelt thanks of the people of Greenland for the sympathy with our cause and the respect for our freedom which the great American nation has proved so amply in these dark days.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 15, 1941.

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

Please let me know before
Press Conference whether you
think I should send this to the
King of Denmark, or talk the
gist of it to the Press, or say
nothing about it at all.

F. D. R.

PSF Deary ink
corrected copy

April 15, 1941.

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

Here is a thought. What is your comment? I should like to send a telegram from me personally to the King of Denmark personally along the following lines:

I am fully cognizant of the unfortunate events of April 9, 1940. At that time it was clear to the world that the Sovereign of Denmark, the Government of Denmark and the people of Denmark were compelled at the point of a sword to submit to the overwhelming might of a neighboring nation against which Denmark was unable, in the face of unprovoked surprise attack, to make any effective resistance.

There followed the physical occupation of Denmark by foreign troops and the definite duress upon the Government of Denmark.

At that time it was made clear by the Government of the United States that it recognized the duress under which the Government of Denmark was compelled to act. The Government of Denmark, in my judgment, ceased to retain a full independence of views and of actions.

I know that you recall the history of Danish sovereignty in the Western Hemisphere. For a century and more the Government of the United States in no way interfered with Danish colonization or control over the Virgin Islands or Greenland.

During all these long years the sovereignty of Denmark has been aware that the United States acquiesced in and approved of Danish sovereignty over the Virgin Islands with, of course, the understanding on both sides that this sovereignty could not be transferred to any other non-American nation as such transfer would have been in contravention of a historic American policy.

In the case of Greenland many nations had over a century or more asserted rights based on exploration in northern latitudes. Not so many years ago the question of sovereignty over Greenland arose and the United States was glad to abandon its rights obtained by exploration in favor of the Danish rights which had been obtained through many centuries by colonization and by direct administrative supervision over these colonies.

In other words, by solemn agreement the United States has recognized Danish sovereignty over Greenland and still extends that recognition.

This recognition goes to Denmark and to Denmark alone. It is based on colonization by Scandinavians over many centuries; on the establishment of a Scandinavian church and on material assistance by Denmark during many generations. It is a fact accepted by science and by geographers that Greenland lies in the Western Hemisphere. That being so, Greenland differs in no way from British, French or Dutch possessions in the Western Hemisphere.

When in 1917 the Danish West Indies were sold for a large consideration to the United States, the Danish Government knew that the United States could never accept the sale of the Danish West Indies to any non-American nation. Therefore, and because Greenland lies in the Western Hemisphere, Your Majesty will, of course, recognize that the use of Greenland for military, air or naval purposes by any other non-American nation, except Denmark, would violate the integrity of the Western Hemisphere. The same rule obviously applies to possessions of Great Britain or France or the Netherlands in this Hemisphere.

Efforts toward such use of military, air or naval purposes have been made by Germany. German planes have already flown over the territory of Greenland.

It is the purpose of the United States to prevent the use by Germany in a military, air or naval sense of any portion of Greenland's territories. If the American people could think that the Government of Denmark is wholly free from any duress, the note recalling your Minister would, of course, receive my sincere and friendly attention. It is because the

American people believe that action of Your Majesty's Government is today not wholly free from duress that the American people find it necessary to give priority to the ancient friendly relations with the people of Denmark themselves.

Let me assure Your Majesty of one simple fact. Just so soon as the untrammelled sovereignty of Denmark is reestablished, full control of Greenland will return to Denmark with our approval and blessing. In the meantime, it is necessary for the United States to act in a sense as the trustee for Denmark during the period of duress.

We are seeking to save Greenland from the control of a different non-American nation which has never had any color of interest or sovereignty in Greenland and which in any event must be excluded from such sovereignty.

I send you my good wishes and my hopes that the Danish people will before long return to full independence.

F. D. R.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 14, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Under Secy.

Here is a thought. What is your comment? I should like to send a telegram from me personally to the King of Denmark personally along the following lines:

I am fully cognizant of the unfortunate events of April 9, 1940. At that time it was clear to the world that the Sovereign of Denmark, the Government of Denmark and the people of Denmark were compelled at the point of a sword to submit to the overwhelming might of a neighboring nation against which ~~the sovereignty of~~ Denmark was unable, in the face of unprovoked surprise attack, to make any effective resistance.

There followed the physical occupation of Denmark by foreign troops and the definite duress upon the Government of Denmark, ~~which the latter was, of course, unable to resist.~~

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In the case of Greenland many nations had over a century or more asserted rights based on exploration in northern latitudes. Not so many years ago the question of sovereignty over Greenland arose and the United States was glad to abandon its rights obtained by exploration in favor of the Danish rights which had been obtained through many centuries by colonization and by direct administrative super-

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In other words, by solemn agreement the United States has recognized Danish sovereignty over Greenland and still extends that recognition.

A. This recognition goes to Denmark and to ~~Denmark alone~~. It is based in part on the colonies founded by Leif Ericson and on colonization by Scandinavians; on the establishment of a Scandinavian church and on material assistance by Your Majesty and his predecessors during many generations. It is unthinkable that in the light of the fact -- the fact accepted by science and geographers -- that Greenland differs in no way from British, French, Dutch or other Danish possessions in the Western Hemisphere.

When in 1917 the Danish West Indies were sold for a large consideration to the United States, the Danish Government knew that the United States could never accept the sale of the Danish West Indies to any non-American nation. Therefore and because Greenland lies in the Western Hemisphere Your Majesty will, of course, recognize that the use of Greenland for military, air or naval purposes by any other non-American nation except Denmark would violate the integrity of the Western Hemisphere. The same rule obviously applies to possessions of Great Britain or France or the Netherlands in this Hemisphere.

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Greenland

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We are seeking to save Greenland from the control of
a different non-American nation which has never had any color
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event must be excluded from such sovereignty.

I send you my good wishes and my hopes that the Danish
people will before long return to full independence.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

THE SECRETARY

April 23, 1941.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

There is attached a copy of
your telegram dated April nine-
teenth to the King of Denmark,
in accordance with your
memorandum of April twenty-
third.

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TELEGRAM SENT

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April 19, 1941

9 p.m.

AMERICAN LEGATION,
COPENHAGEN, (DENMARK).

62.

You are requested to arrange an appointment with the private secretary to His Majesty the King at the earliest possible moment and leave with him for King Christian a copy of the following message from the President:

"Great and Good Friend:

I have received by cable the text of your letter regarding the status of Mr. Henri K. Louis Hans de Kauffman, Your Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Government of the United States of America. I reciprocate most profoundly and sincerely Your Majesty's wishes for the continued strengthening of the friendly relations which have always existed between the United States and the Kingdom of Denmark and between the peoples of our two countries. It was with especially high regard for Your Majesty that this Government gave its agreement to Mr. de Kauffman in August, 1939 and he has enjoyed the full confidence and cooperation of this
Government

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Government in the distinguished duties in which he was invested by you.

Mr. de Kauffman was nominated at a time when the complete freedom of the Danish Government had been in no way infringed and he remains in the view of the Government of the United States the representative of the Royal Danish Government in this country. The Government of the United States will continue to treat with him as Your Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary.

In accordance with this policy the Government of the United States dealt with Mr. de Kauffman regarding the situation of Greenland which had become most urgent due to flights of German bombing planes over the territory of Greenland and the fact that, in the light of recent history, there could be no assurance that foreign forces might not occupy Greenland suddenly and without warning.

Your Majesty will no doubt recognize the fact that while the sovereignty of Denmark over Greenland has been recognized by the United States Government under the fundamental principle that Greenland although entirely in the Western Hemisphere has been for many centuries under actual colonization by Denmark and Norway, no change of sovereignty to another European nation can be agreed to. The Government of the United States, as Your Majesty will

no doubt

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no doubt recall, has publicly stated its position in this sense on a number of occasions in the past. It is incumbent upon the Government of the United States to assure itself that Greenland will not be occupied by any non-American nation other than Denmark, and in consequence this Government has found itself forced by an actual threat to Danish sovereignty in Greenland to take steps which are tantamount to holding Greenland in trust for Denmark until such time as the Royal Danish Government ceases to be subjected to duress on the part of an occupying nation and full Danish control over Greenland may be restored. No legitimate interests will be affected adversely by the action of the United States in Greenland.

I avail myself of this occasion to renew to Your Majesty the assurances of esteem and friendship,
Your good friend,

(Signed) Franklin D. Roosevelt, President
United States of America."

Subsequently you will forward a copy to the Foreign Secretary with a formal covering note stating it is done under instructions from me.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 23, 1941.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE:

Please let me have copy of my
telegram of Sunday or Monday, to the
King of Denmark.

F. D. R.

No papers accompanied the original of this memo
to the Secretary of State.

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April 18, 1941

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

In view of the cable in the original French text of the so-called letter of recall of the Danish Minister from the King of Denmark, please let me have draft of reply at the earliest possible moment.

I think in this reply I should show great friendship for His Majesty and the Danish people. At the same time, I should make it clear that in the judgment of the President of the United States the appointment of Minister de Kauffmann was, of course, without question a free and untrammelled act on the part of the King; whereas, most unfortunately, and in view of the events subsequent to April 9, 1940, the acts of the Government of Denmark which as in the present case of a minister, are a part of governmental action, such actions cannot be viewed as independent and untrammelled acts. Of necessity it must be considered that the acts of the Government of Denmark are under the duress of German occupation.

His Majesty will, of course, recognize the fact that while the sovereignty of Denmark over Greenland has been recognized by the United States Government under the fundamental principle that Greenland though lying in the Western Hemisphere has been for many centuries under actual colonization by Denmark and Norway, no change of sovereignty to another European nation can be agreed to.

It is well known to Your Majesty that German planes have flown and are now flying over Greenland.

It is well known to Your Majesty that in the light of the history of the past year and a half there can be no assurance against German occupation of Greenland.

It is therefore necessary that the United States take certain steps to prevent such occupation by any non-American nation other than Denmark.

The United States, therefore, finds it necessary to hold Greenland in trust for Denmark with the objective that full control will be restored to Denmark just as soon as the Government of Denmark ceases to labor under any form of duress on the part of any other nation.

F. D. R.

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*Originals of these papers returned to
the Sec. State 5/23/44
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

May 10, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

I am attaching for your consideration the draft text of the Declaration on Denmark which it is proposed should be issued simultaneously in Washington, London and Moscow under my signature and those of Mr. Eden and Mr. Molotov. The Declaration is primarily designed to give encouragement to the Danish people in their opposition to the Germans and, secondarily, to meet the wishes of Danish groups in this country and the United Kingdom. It does not confer on Denmark the status of either a United Nation or a nation associated with the United Nations and is not intended to lead to the establishment of any type of Danish Government in exile.

Should you approve of the issuance of the proposed Declaration and its text, the American Charge d'Affaires and the British Ambassador in Moscow will be instructed to invite the Soviet authorities to participate in it. The Declaration would be issued immediately following notification of its acceptability to the Soviet Government.

The King of Norway and the King of Denmark, to whom the Declaration was secretly transmitted by the British, both approve of the proposed action.

"C. H.".

Enclosure:

Draft text of
Declaration on
Denmark.

"O.K."
FDR

DECLASSIFIED
State Dept. Letter, 1-11-72

By J. Schauble Date FEB 7 1972

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TEXT OF PROPOSED DECLARATION ON DENMARK

For over four years Denmark has been subjected to the Nazi yoke. Her King is virtually a prisoner, her Government has ceased to operate and her people are unable to express their feelings openly. But the whole Danish people were united behind their King in determination to refuse new and humiliating German demands provoked in August last, by their stubbornly growing resistance. Inspired by the same beliefs as Danes abroad who sail and fly and fight in the ranks of the United Nations, the Danes at home with their comrades in other occupied lands contribute by active and passive opposition to weaken the Nazi hold.

There is no Danish Government which can give expression to the feelings of Denmark by adhering to the United Nations declaration. The Governments of Great Britain, the United States and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics recognize however that the Danish nation has placed itself side by side with the United Nations and like them is determined to contribute to the common struggle for victory over Hitlerism and for the attainment of the aims of the Atlantic Charter.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 10

Mr. H. S. P. Denmark
114 N. 2nd St. -
L. J. M. 2nd St. -

Eden & Molitor -

OK & W. S. -

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August 25, 1944.

My dear Kauffmann:-

Your former letter reached me just as I was leaving for my trip to the Pacific and I have waited until now to find a moment in which to see Professor Bohr. I am told that I can see him tomorrow afternoon.

Come back soon and run in to see me.

Always sincerely,

Honorable Henrik de Kauffmann,
Danish Legation,
2343 Massachusetts Avenue,
Washington, D. C.



Washington, D. C.

August 23, 1944

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My dear Mr. President:

On June 26th I wrote to you in order to tell you that we had had the pleasure for some weeks to have with us as our house guest a countryman of mine, Professor Niels Bohr, Director of the Institute of Theoretical Physics at the University of Copenhagen. In my letter I ventured to ask whether you possibly might find time to receive my friend whom I felt sure you would be interested in meeting.

Shortly after I sent this letter I understand that you left on your journey to the West and Professor Bohr also has been away for some time. Now, however, he has returned and expects to be here in Washington for a little while.

In case you should find time to receive Professor Bohr sometime in the near future, it goes without saying that my friend is entirely at your disposal on any date you might indicate.

My countrymen in England have asked me to go over there for a short trip, and I am leaving Washington tomorrow night, but my Legation will immediately convey any message from the White House to Professor Bohr.

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

Yours very sincerely,

Henrik Kauffmann

The President

The White House

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 25, 1944.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

I spoke with the Danish Minister last evening and gave him your message about seeing Professor Bohr tomorrow if you are in town. Are you going to be able to see him tomorrow?

G.

(Call Mr. Kaufman or Mr. Jensen)

*4 PM,
Sat.*

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PRIVATE

October 9, 1944.

My dear Kauffmann:

I had hoped to see Professor Bohr
but I am away for a few days and I would
suggest that he see Dr. Vannevar Bush with
whom I have talked.

I do hope to see you very soon.

Always sincerely,

His Excellency
Henrik Kauffmann,
Minister of Denmark,
Royal Danish Legation,
Washington, D. C.

ROYAL DANISH LEGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 3, 1944.

Dear Mr. President,

When my friend Professor Niels Bohr saw you some weeks ago, I understand you mentioned to him that you might want to see him again.

Professor Bohr is staying with us once more but is planning to leave Washington in the near future. He would, however, await your orders here in town if you should have time for a further talk and should want to see him.

He would therefore be most grateful for a word from the White House as to whether he may expect to be allowed to come to see you once more, or whether your time is too much taken up with other things to permit another interview. In the latter case he feels he ought to leave very soon.

Allow me to thank you for your most kind words asking me to come to see you upon my return from England. I had an interesting time in London meeting several of the leaders of our resistance movement in Denmark recently escaped.

I am leaving for New York today but shall be back early next week and if you should have a few moments to spare, nothing would give me more pleasure than if you would

To the President,

The White House.

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Washington D.C.

October 3, 1944.

Dear Miss Tully,

I should be most grateful if you would
be so very kind to give the President the enclosed
letter.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Henrik Kauffmann".

Henrik Kauffmann,
Minister of Denmark.

Miss Grace Tully,

THE WHITE HOUSE