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HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR.

285 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK 17, N. Y. MURRAY HILL 8-5302

*He*  
*most assured*  
Morgenthau  
July 15, 1947

Dear Eleanor:

We were so happy to have been with you yesterday at the French Embassy. It is an occasion which Elinor and I will always remember,

You were kind enough to say that you wanted to know the results of my conference this morning with Mr. Davenport. I think we made some progress but he is still extremely difficult to deal with. He has asked me to put back two things in the story, "The Fight To Balance The Budget", I refused to put back one of them. In regard to the second which is attached, I would like to have your very frank opinion and I would appreciate your sending me a night letter letting me know how you feel,

I don't want you to think that the acceptance of the series of articles is dependent on this one paragraph because it isn't. He is also having Schlesinger rewrite two other articles which I will send you when they are finished.

I did have the satisfaction of telling Mr. Davenport that I was not a Jim Farley and that Schlesinger was not Walter Trohan or Robert DeVore.

Again thanking you for your interest in my articles, I am

Affectionately yours,

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Campobello  
Via Eastport, New Brunswick  
Canada

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On May 20 I lunched with Roosevelt and told him about my public relations activity. He listened with notable coolness and said, "You know we may have to compromise on this bonus."

I had a sinking feeling and found myself gradually crumpling up inside. I said, "If you want me to go on, please do not talk that way to me because I am building a bonfire of support for you in your veto message."

He said rather quickly, with a smile, "Let's agree that I will not talk to you about any compromise if you will not talk to me about any bonfire. . . In other words, never let your left hand know what your right is doing."

I said, "Which hand am I, Mr. President?"

He laughed, "My right hand," he said, "but I keep my left hand under the table."

Eventually the President vetoed the bill. The Senate sustained the veto, but overrode another veto on the bonus bill in 1936.

*This is the part that is in question.*

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*Morgenthau*

HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR.

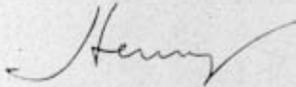
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February 27, 1947

Dear Eleanor:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the letter which I have sent to President Truman today.

Affectionately,



Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Apartment 15-A  
29 Washington Square, West  
New York 11, New York

February 27, 1947

My dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial Foundation, I take pleasure in inviting Mrs. Truman and yourself to participate in the ceremonies commemorating the second anniversary of the death of Franklin D. Roosevelt at Hyde Park on April 12th. I sincerely hope that you will be able to arrange to make this trip.

With warm personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

The President

The White House

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6th November, 1947

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*Saturday will be in  
theater long for both of them.*

*Morgenthau*

*Mr. & Mrs. Roosevelt*

*Tell her that I am not repaying.*

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:-

I do hope that you will be in our audience this year. It means so much to have your warmth and encouragement for this special interest of mine,

Have you seen Roberta Jonay in "Allegro?" I am sure you share my feeling of satisfaction that Roberta has arrived. When I visited her in her dressing room she said she planned to repay her scholarship to the School. She evidently is not aware that you were her generous sponsor. From what she said that evening I rather infer that her family is still a liability, and when I hear from her I shall get in touch with you,

With affection,

*Rita Wallach Morgenthau*

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt,  
29 Washington Square,  
New York, N.Y.

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May 2, 1947

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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Val-Kil Cottage  
Hyde Park, New York

Re: Elinor and Henry Morgenthau Jr.  
Foundation for Peace, Inc.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

We enclose herewith two copies of an application by the above Foundation for tax exemption under the Internal Revenue Code. It is quite essential for this application that you, as President of the Foundation, sign at the points indicated by the clips. You will note that Morris L. Ernst has already signed as Secretary of the Foundation.

If you have any questions in regard to this, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. If you find the application satisfactory in its present form, please sign and return in the enclosed envelope.

Very truly yours

GREENBAUM, WOLFF & ERNST

By *Michael F. Mayer*

*Morgenthau Foundation*

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May 7, 1947

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To the Directors of the Elinor and Henry  
Morgenthau, Jr. Foundation of Peace, Inc.

Mr. Ernst, as the Managing Director of the Foundation, has asked that the following interim report about the activities of the Foundation be forwarded to you:

1. In the early months of 1946 the Foundation purchased 1,000 copies of Mr. Morgenthau's book from Harper and Brothers at the nominal price of \$450 and shipped them to the U. S. Army in Germany for distribution. We understand that the distribution was effectively carried out.
2. In February, 1947, the copies of Mr. Morgenthau's work then remaining in the hands of Harper and Brothers (14,000 odd) were purchased by the Foundation for \$1,000 and given for purposes of distribution to the Society for the Prevention of World War III. We are assured that the Society has been and will continue to distribute the volume to organizations and persons appropriate to the furtherance of the Foundation's corporate aims and purposes.
3. Our most recent statement from Harper and Brothers indicates a total sale to the public of approximately 17,000 copies of the book. This has, of course, been something of a disappointment and it has, of necessity, somewhat curtailed other proposed operations.
4. As of January 1, 1947, the Foundation had on hand the sum of \$1,225.95. The only outstanding liabilities as of the present time are the out-of-pocket cash disbursements which Greenbaum, Wolff & Ernst have advanced to the corporation. As you know, Greenbaum, Wolff & Ernst is charging no fee for its professional services.
5. The Foundation is planning to apply to the Treasury Department for a ruling as to its tax exemption. We shall keep you advised as to this and other relevant matters.

Please write in if you have any questions or suggestions.

GREENBAUM, WOLFF & ERNST

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*Harriet F. Pilpel*