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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt London, England

Dear Eleanor:

May I present to you my friend, Dr. Lewis L.

Lorwin, who is in London as a member of the delegation from the Department of Commerce, Dr. Lorwin gave me most valuable counsel in preparing the plan for a World Conference on the Conservation of Natural Resources which I submitted to Franklin.

Franklin approved the plan in general, wrote to Mr. Hull suggesting that such a Conference be called, and sent me a copy of his letter. In that letter he said: "I repeat again that I am more and more convinced that conservation is a basis of permanent peace."

I have suggested to President Truman that he might, through the American delegation, move for the adoption of the plan which Franklin approved. And I have strong hope that he will do so. If he does, I am sure that you will find Dr. Lorwin of great assistance. He knows.

Leila is in Frankfort, Germany, as a guest of General McNarny, When she is coming back I do not know, but it is quite likely that she will be in London at the same time you are. It goes without saying that we were both greatly delighted by your appointment to the American Delegation.

With every good wish for the New Year, I am

Faithfully yours

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