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The food situation in Belgium is critical. Former estimation of capacity to feed population based on assumption that over 2,000,000 refugees had left country. Great numbers of these now returning and situation is complicated by necessity of providing rations for large mass of prisoners.

Serious need is for wheat and flour supplies. Most optimistic estimates are that these cannot feed population on basis of minimum rations for a longer period than July 20 leaving no provision for fifty days remaining until harvest.

Please advise what if any measures taken for American V organizations similar to American Commission for the Relief of Belgium during the last war.

HEATH

August 8, 1940

Eu Mr. Atherton:

I will appreciate it if you will see the Polish Ambassador and inform him in accordance with the recommendations contained in your memorandum.

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