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Interview with President Roosevelt on March 13, 1945: In this interview, called at the request of the President, Henderson expresses "incredibility" at the atmosphere of the interview. They discussed changes in European economic conditions since Henderson resigned as Director of the Office of Price Administration in 1942. The President expressed doubt that the Russians would work by agreement with the British, French and us on such matters as coal and transportation. Henderson voiced an expression of apprehension regarding Roosevelt’s health.

Notes written by Henderson on April 19, 1955: These notes describe Henderson’s activities from mid-summer of 1944 to April 1945. He describes his negotiations with the President in 1944, leading up to his appointment to be in charge of German economic controls. This appointment never materialized but Henderson went to Europe in December 1944 under the Foreign Economic Administration to gain an understanding of the advance planning of the Allied Governments regarding Germany. His meeting with Hopkins and Bohlen in Paris in January 1945 resulted in the March 13 interview with the President. After the interview, Henderson went to China as assistant to Chiang Kai Shek and T.V. Soong to work on the problem of inflation. He returned with the Chinese delegation to the San Francisco United Nations Conference and landed in the United States the day President Roosevelt died, April 12, 1945.

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