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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 8, 1937.

My dear Windsor:-

Ronald Lindsay has sent me the copy of your message, and I am very sorry that certain factors are preventing you and ~~The Duchess~~ from visiting the United States at this time. I am sincerely sorry that these circumstances occurred but I hope that a little later on you will find it possible to come over.

I need not tell you that it will be a great pleasure to renew our old acquaintance.

In going over some old papers the other day, I found the enclosed photograph taken at Annapolis on the day that you reviewed the battalion of Midshipmen, and I think it may interest ~~The Duchess~~ to see it. I shall always remember that without preparation you made a little speech to the Midshipmen which was perfect for the occasion and which is still remembered at the Naval Academy.

Faithfully yours,

H. R. H. The Duke of Windsor