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United States Senate,

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

August 14, 1919

My dear Mr. President:

Soon after the Treaty of Versailles had been laid before the Senate, Senator Hitchcock informed the Committee on Foreign Relations that if the Committee desired at any time to see you for the purpose of discussing the treaty you would be glad to receive them if you were given twenty-four hours' notice. Taking advantage of this suggestion, the Committee this morning instructed me by vote to say to you that they would be glad if they could meet you for the purpose of asking for certain information in regard to the treaty, at such time and place as might be convenient to you. Owing to the necessary absence of one or two Senators I take the liberty of saying that it would be more convenient to the Committee if the appointment could be made for some day subsequent to Monday next.

It was also the general desire of the Committee that I should say to you that it was assumed that nothing said at the meeting would be considered to be confidential. The Senate has ordered the treaty to be considered in open executive session and in consonance with this order the Committee feels that any information in regard to the treaty which comes into their possession should not be withheld from the public.

I have the honor to be,
To the President.

Very respectfully yours,

H. C. Lodge
Chairman.