

we could at this time to the people of Greenland. They have been cut off from supplies in some directions and we have been able to give them certain supplies. In order to get the information we would wish to have and be able to communicate rapidly at any moment, we have thought it advisable to have a consul-general (sic) stationed in Greenland. Mr. Kirkwood, who was previously on the staff of our Legation in the Netherlands, has been freed from his duties there for obvious reasons. He has at the government's request taken on the duties of Consul-General (sic) in Greenland. The United States is similarly concerned with and interested in what may happen in Greenland and also has a Consul resident there. In respect of practically all matters that relate to Greenland in which there is a mutual interest, we have been in communication with the United States. The government of the United States and our government have felt that it was desirable we should cooperate in viewing with common care whatever might be of concern there. I believe that the co-operation which has taken place thus far has been of real advantage to both countries."(1)

After several months at Ivigtut, the principal shipping port and site of the important

(1) H. of C. Debates, February 25, 1941. p. 999.