Publicity has been given and will continue to be given as widely as possible to the fact that under the new regulations American citizens proceeding to Canada and other neighboring countries will not be subjected to any additional documentary requirements for return to the United States in order not to disrupt the plans of persons who may have contemplated proceeding to Canada and these other countries as tourists this summer. It is believed that this publicity has already been effective in reassuring persons who have been anxious on this point.

The expression of the desire of your Government to have its officials cooperate with officials of this Government by joint discussion of problems, is welcomed and while it will not be possible to modify the basic requirement for passports and visas, the discussion by officers of your Legation and by officers of the Department of questions which may arise will be most helpful. It may be suggested in this connection that if the Canadian Government should find it possible to grange for the expeditious issuance to citizens of Canada of passports or documents in the nature of passports, bearing the holder's photograph, signature and identifying description, this facility with the measures taken by this Government to expedite the issuance of visas will permit travelers to come to the United States with a minimum inconvenience.

You are assured that every effort consistent with the desired close supervision over the entry of aliens into the United States will be made so that the freedom of movement across the border will continue with as little inconvenience as possible.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my high consideration.

For the Secretary of State: SUMNER WELLES.

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