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His Excellency
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My dear Mr. Marler,

I have your letter of April 18th, in which you tell me that some time in the not too distant future I am to expect a visit in Montreal from Dr. Nitobe. I remember him very well, having met him at dinner at Prince Tokugawa's, and also at lunch at your house. I think on both occasions I had the pleasure of sitting beside Mrs. Nitobe. I assure you that it will be a great pleasure for me to welcome him to Montreal and to make his visit as interesting as I can.

Since your return to Japan, you must have found the situation most interesting. Some of us here have found it most difficult to harmonize the actions of Japan with her obligations under different treaties such as the Washington Pact, the Kellogg-Briand Pact, and her responsibility as a member of the League of Nations, and I fear that Mr. Nitobe will find it rather difficult to convince the people in the United States that the actions of Japan have been entirely justified. That has been the experience of all other Japanese who have come to the United States this last winter, mainly for propaganda purposes. I met several of them and chatted with them quite frankly. Among these was Mr. Tsurumi, a