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*Le sous-secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures
au ministre aux États-Unis*

*Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs
to Minister in United States*

Ottawa, February 25, 1937

Dear Sir Herbert,

The Governor General last night received a letter from the President indicating that the week of March 29th would be entirely acceptable for the visit to the White House.

His Excellency has an engagement in Toronto on the evening of March 29th and will go direct from Toronto arriving in Washington on March 30th. He has to be back in Ottawa on the morning of April 3rd so presumably would require to leave Thursday night or Friday noon. It is His Excellency's understanding that the programme for the visit will be drawn up by the White House in consultation with the Canadian Legation. When you communicate it to the Department of External Affairs we shall take it up with His Excellency.

As regards dress Redfern questions whether His Excellency should wear uniform on his arrival or at any other time. Security is a question that should be left in the hands of the United States Government. The staff, in addition to a valet and lady's maid, will be as follows:

Mrs. Pape	—Lady-in-Waiting,
Mr. A. S. Redfern	—Secretary to the Governor General,
Colonel H. Willis-O'Connor	C.B.E., D.S.O.,—Aide de Camp,
Lieut. G. Rivers-Smith, R.N.	— do
Captain C.P. Campbell-Preston	— do

If Their Excellencies stay at the White House, there would be no necessity for more than one A.D.C. to stay there in addition, so that, if desired, the other members of the staff could be put up elsewhere.

Simultaneous arrangements will have to be made as to press announcement and provision as to trains, but it is probable that these matters will be taken up with Mr. Armour here.

Yours sincerely,

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