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Dear Mr. Doriot:

It is my belief that Sir William Wiseman, Bart., C.B. will be the man who will not only appreciate the opportunity which we presented a year or more ago to His Britannic Majesty's Government, but will prove to be the catalytic agent who will change the present static condition of mere approval of a "dream" into effective action.

I have told you of the organization in 1924 of the Committee on the Development of the Harvard Business Library, out of which has come the formation of The Business Historical Society, Inc. Early in the work we recognized that if the civilization of the present day were to be saved, it could only be saved by mutual understanding and mutual respect between the great nations united in the Great War, and that there is a special need in America of persisting education in the truth, to prevent inimicable influences ingrained in our nation from separating us in spirit from our motherland, Great Britain. A German King, George III, separated us politically. I am fearful that persistent misunderstanding, stimulated by prejudiced components in our population, may come to separate us spiritually, unless steps be taken to prevent it. This was the thesis that led us to take up, through Premier Mackenzie King of Canada, a proposition for the deposit of library material in the Harvard Business Library in order to assure adequate repre-