

German Consulate General.
1440 St. Catherine St. West.
MONTREAL.

November 20th, 1931.

Dear Mr. Beatty:-

From your letter of September 17th, 1931, by which you were kind enough to grant a free pass to Professor Jaeckh, and from the conversation the Professor and myself had a few days later with you, I know how important you consider the question of disarmament. Some time ago I received a very interesting and clear article about this question, written by Dr. Schwendemann, who is a German expert on all questions regarding disarmament. Vice-Consul Schafhausen, who belongs to my staff, has made a translation thereof. I therefore have pleasure in transmitting to you a copy of the translation of the article by Dr. Schwendemann. (Enclosure No. 1.)

At the end of page 3 of the translation there are mentioned the provisions of Article 3 of the Geneva Draft Convention, regarding the reckoning of the "average daily effectives". A short elucidation of this point and of the further question as to the effectiveness of the method of limitation of armaments by limitation of annual expenditure as provided for in the Draft Convention is herewith enclosed. (Enclosure No. 2.)

May I quote in this connection some passages from the speech of the former German Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Curtius, delivered at Geneva on September 12th, 1931.

"The conviction that disarmament, and not arm-