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Dear Mr. Battin,

After a week delay in England I arrived yesterday in Amsterdam. We have had a calm passage, the weather was beautiful.

Today I went to the Hague where I was received by Min. Gort van der Linden and Min. Loudon.

After I have given them your letter they asked if you were coming back to Europe. I told them what you have said to me, that you were willing to return if you could be of any use. Both were of opinion that you could be of great use, but that it was very difficult for them to invite you to come. If you were here and offered your service it would make a great difference. G.v.d.L. said, perhaps in a short time we shall want a man as Prof. Battin very much, but who can tell now when it shall be.

Min. B. was more decided. He said, "Dr. Jacobs can you not write him a letter in which you tell him that for a man as he is, the place is now in Europe. If he was now here he could go to France and England and tell us what the change in the Cabinets of both countries means in connection with their attitude towards peace. Not one could serve us for such informations better than a man as Mr. Battin."

I told both ministers that I was going to write you a letter at once and Min. Loudon said: "send the letter by the Holland-America Line, so that the English censor cannot keep it."

To-morrow I shall cable you "come" but I am not sure you shall receive that cablegram.

Hoping to meet you soon, with kind regards,

[Signature]

Alessandro Jacobs.