My dear Governor Lehman,

It has been quite a shock to me to hear of your intention to resign as Director General of UNRRA. Your name has been so closely associated with the activity of that great humanitarian undertaking, the first international body to be created under the auspices of the United Nations, that it is difficult indeed to imagine UNRRA without the wise, firm, and competent leadership of the great executive who has been guiding its first steps, and has directed it, with great vision and energy, in the accomplishment of the most urgent and vital task of the immediate post-war period.

I wish to express to you, with the keen appreciation of my Government for all that you have achieved, my personal deep regret that you are leaving, and my earnest wish and hope that your health may be promptly restored, and the
outstanding ability of which you have given so many proofs in your career may be given new opportunities to serve in the international field for the common good of all. /.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

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