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Honorable Herbert H. Lehman
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My dear Governor:

It is a long time since you sent me your cordial congratulations upon my appointment to this Court. Your letter was one of those which I laid aside in order that I might later send it an especially personal reply. Your expression of confidence in me at this time has been a source of encouragement to me.

I am glad to see that the Congress is responding to the needs of UNRRA and I wish you success with the tremendously difficult task that still confronts you. You have borne up nobly under a heavy load and I regard it a privilege to have been able to contribute a little to the support of this great humanitarian and international effort which you have been leading.

I find the work here extremely interesting and responsible. I welcome the opportunity it gives me to contribute something to the needed demonstration that a self-governing, constitutional republic can meet the difficult issues of our generation.

With personal and cordial regards,

Yours sincerely,

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