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The Under Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, tonight answered allegations that a map which appears in a photograph taken in the course of an interview which he had in Paris with Premier Paul Reynaud served as the basis for Mr. Welles' discussions with Monsieur Reynaud. Mr. Welles stated:

"Various allegations concerning a map which is shown in the photograph of Monsieur Reynaud and of myself are fantastic nonsense. At no time during the course of my interviews in Paris or in any other capital I visited was any reference made to any maps. I never even looked at any map which may have been in Monsieur Reynaud's office."

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