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I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your

/// esteemed note of June 10, 1940, conveying the formal request of the British Government that the Government of the United States undertake to protect the persons, property and interests for whose protection the British Ambassador in Italy and consular officers under his superintendence are normally responsible.

As I was happy to advise you by my note of June 4, appropriate instructions giving effect to the British Government's wishes in this respect have been sent to the Department's representatives in Italy.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

His Excellency

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The Right Honorable The Marquess of Lothian, C. H., British Ambassador.

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