

10th January 1941.

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Sir,

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With reference to my telegram No. 2728 of the 18th November about the supervision of British interests in Guadeloupe, I have the honour to report that it is expected that an American Vice-Consulate will shortly be opened in Guadeloupe and that I have arranged with the State Department that when this takes place the American Vice-Consul will undertake the charge of British interests. In the meantime the United States Consul in Martinique has undertaken the formal protection of British interests in Guadeloupe.

2. The United States Consul in Martinique has established a channel of communication with His Majesty's Consul at Guadeloupe and has received information that the latter has removed his residence to the interior of the island but that he is allowed freedom to move about and attend to his private business. I enclose a copy of a letter dated the 29th November from His Majesty's Consul to the United States Vice-Consul in Martinique which I obtained through the courtesy of the State Department, and a copy of a letter which I have asked the State Department to have transmitted to His Majesty's Consul. It will be seen that the latter is anxious about his own personal position and I venture to suggest that any instructions which you may have to send him might be transmitted to me for forwarding through the above-mentioned channel.

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I have the honour to be,
with the highest respect,
Sir,
Your most obedient, humble servant,

(sgd.) N. H. BUTLER.

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