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From the Vatican, 17 March 2010

Dear Mr. Krupp,

I am writing to acknowledge your letter of 8 March last, with which you forwarded for the use of the Holy See a digital version of the twelve volumes of the *Actes et documents du Saint-Siège pendant la Deuxième Guerre Mondiale* prepared by the Pave the Way Foundation. I consider the presentation of this documentation on the websites of both the Foundation and the Holy See a significant step in the continuing effort to shed light on the diplomatic and humanitarian activity carried out by the Vatican during the Second World War, particularly with regard to the sufferings of the Jewish people.

I was also pleased to learn that the Pave the Way Foundation has proposed a new study of the *Actes et documents*, and I express my hope that this commendable initiative will come to fruition. I would assure you that, in accordance with your request, I would be happy to meet a group of American Rabbis and Jewish leaders interested in the project, and to arrange for the group to greet the Holy Father following a General Audience.

Finally, I thank you for presenting me a copy of your book, *Pope Pius XII and World War II, The Documented Truth*.

With deep appreciation for your work in advancing a serene evaluation of the figure of Pope Pius XII, and for your efforts in promoting respect, understanding and cooperation between Christians and Jews, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Secretary of State

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