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March 16, 1939

My dear Senator Byrnes:

It has been brought to my attention that effort is being made to have the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency exempted from the provisions of the pending Reorganization Bill H. R. 4425.

To avoid any misunderstanding, I think I should advise you that this office has taken no part in any attempt to so influence Members of the Congress. It has, on the contrary, discouraged such action on the part of its friends, and will continue to do so. Aside from the impropriety involved in any intervention in our own behalf, I feel that the decision as to the future status of this office should be left entirely in the hands of the Congress and the President of the United States.

Very sincerely yours,

Preston Delano
Comptroller

Honorable James F. Byrnes,
Chairman,
Select Committee on Government Organization,
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