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Refugees: Japan:

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

July 5, 1940



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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of

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June 28, 1940 in regard to the evacuation of civilian  
refugees from Hong Kong to the Philippine Islands.

With regard to the question raised in the last  
paragraph of your letter, I take pleasure in informing  
you that we concur in the proposal that detailed arrange-  
ments be made directly between the local authorities  
in the Philippines and in Hong Kong. I may add that  
when the Department informed the United States High  
Commissioner to the Philippine Islands on July 1 that  
it had no objection to the temporary entry of evacuees

from

His Excellency

The Right Honorable

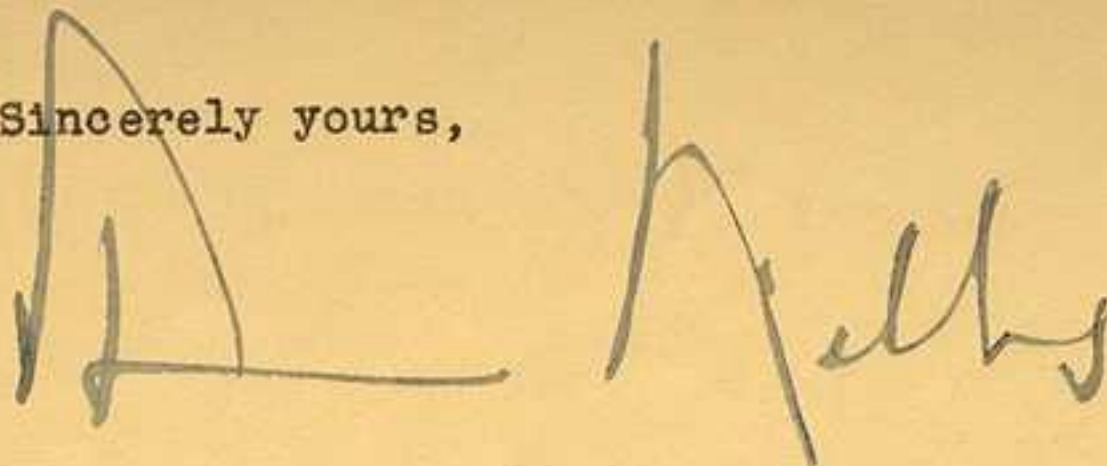
The Marquess of Lothian, C. H.,

British Ambassador.

from Hong Kong, provided that the Philippine authorities had no objection, it suggested that the High Commissioner and the Philippine authorities confer with the British Consul General at Manila.

I am, my dear Lord Lothian,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "A. H. Kelly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A" and a long horizontal stroke.