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D. H. — to Adrianus Pelt (Dir., European Office of
the U.N., Geneva)

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14 January 1954

Dear Mr. Pelt:

You are aware of my deep appreciation of the devoted and constructive contribution you have long made to the work of the United Nations, and of my strong desire to have you remain in our service.

I am writing now to confirm my desire and to consult you regarding the additional period I should fix in offering you an extension of your formal appointment, which at present carries an expiration date of 2 February 1954.

While I do not like to envisage any date on which you would leave us, our retirement regulation and normal practice in such cases would seem to require a fixed-term appointment, and it is in this light that I wanted to consult you before taking any action. I should very much appreciate hearing from you as to the additional term for which you could agree to continue your collaboration.

I look forward to hearing from you soon, and in the meantime send you my kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Dag Hammarskjold
Secretary-General

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