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2 letters from D.H. - to Paul Whiteman (Vice-President,
American Broadcasting Company)

6 August 1954

My dear Mr. Whiteman,

May I express to you our deep appreciation for your acceptance of our invitation to appear at Headquarters September 10th on the occasion of our annual reception to the United Nations Secretariat. Your presence is enthusiastically anticipated by members from sixty nations.

I should deem it a privilege also if you would join me at a private dinner for our distinguished guests at six. Details of arrangements will be forwarded to you shortly.

Again, please accept our gratitude for your most valued assistance. I look forward to greeting you at Headquarters.

Sincerely,

Dag Hammarskjold,
Secretary-General

Mr. Paul Whiteman,
Vice-President in Charge of Music,
American Broadcasting Company,
7 West 66th Street,
New York, N.Y.

17 September 1954

My dear Mr. Whiteman,

May I tell you once more how very deeply I appreciate your generous contribution to our Staff Day, Friday last.

Your presence and personal conducting of the excellent orchestra, both in your superb rendering of the "Rhapsody in Blue" and in the dance music had the greatest significance for the success of the evening and I am particularly grateful to you for this, all the more so in view of the technical difficulties which you unfortunately were obliged to surmount. My entire staff joins me in warmest thanks for what you gave us.

It was a great pleasure for me personally to meet you and to have you as my guest. I shall look forward to the opportunity of welcoming you to the United Nations whenever it may be convenient for you to visit us.

Very cordially yours,

Mr. Paul Whiteman,
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New York City

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