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Dear Friend:

The Near East is without a doubt the most critical area in the world today. Recent events have dramatized the crisis there with compelling urgency; the opportunity for the United States to meet that crisis must certainly be defined with the same urgency. Manifestly, this can only be done with an informed public opinion throughout the country.

The National Conference of the American Christian Palestine Committee, to be convened February 21st in New York City, will be a crucial forum for the consideration of both the crisis and the opportunity in the Near East.

Your participation at the Conference, as one who has long followed developments in this vital area and has played an important role in informing the American people, is most earnestly solicited.

A tentative program of the Conference is enclosed for your attention. The opening session will be at the Belmont-Plaza Hotel (Lexington Avenue and 49th Street) Thursday evening, February 21st at 8:00 P.M. There will be two sessions on Friday, February 22nd (Washington's Birthday) and a concluding breakfast for ACPC officers and leaders on February 23rd. You will note that there is a Registration Fee of $1.00 and that the Luncheon of the 22nd will be $3.00.

The ACPC will be happy to arrange rooms for you at the Belmont-Plaza, if you so request.

You will find included under this cover a personal reply form. This is provided for your convenience in checking the sessions you plan to attend. Would you be so good as to let us know your intentions as soon as possible?

We look forward to your participation.

Cordially yours,

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