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"His Excellency, Prince Fumimaro Konoe, Karuizawa, Nagano Prefecture.

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Registered Mail, Postmark August 13, 1943 Okada Keisuke 875 1-chome  
Tsunohazu Yodobashi, Tokyo."

Dear Prince

The heat is almost unbearable but I trust your Excellency is in good health. The present situation is truly grave and the future of our country greatly concerns us all. I think that it is the duty of the Elder Statesmen to intimately talk with Prime Minister and other Ministers concerned so I propose that in order to express our gratitude for the invitation which we have received so often, you, Baron Hiranuma and myself propose to invite Prime Minister Tojo, Minister Suzuki, Finance Minister Kaya, Great East Asia. Minister Aoki and Foreign Minister Shigemitsu to luncheon at noon on Aug. 30, Monday at the Peers Club and that the hosts be chairman of Privy Council Hara, Baron Wakatsuki, Baron Hiranuma, Your Excellency, Admiral Yonai, Mr. Hirota, General Abe and myself. If you agree to the plan I shall be glad to make all arrangements so please answer by telegram.

Yours,

Aug. 13

Okada Keisuke