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This is, for the American people, a war without hatred. The American people have no enemies in the world if we by that mean nations we hate or fear. It is really the same thing. No one hates if he isn't fearful. And the American people have no one at all to fear. We have not insulted anyone and have no plans to insult anyone. As a nation we have a good conscience.

Our enemies in this war are, when it comes to us, our friends as much as our allies. And we fight them in order to win them over as much as to win.

It is an enormous lie which we will have to fight until it is won. And there is the lie that violence can and may rule in this world by God's grace. That this lie now rides across the world under the German eagles, that and nothing else is the reason why Germany is our enemy. And this outburst which currently is fought by the English and the French is the reason that they are our allies.

We are aware about that this lie in no way is identical to everything called German. We are aware that we must be prepared to fight this lie, also among our allies and among ourselves, to show that it is our belief that democracy and freedom mean more than being beautiful words.

But in this instant the lie has armed itself and under the German eagles run against all of the strongholds of freedom in the world with such success that it is a serious threat against all kinds of freedom for people. It has never looked this hopeful for violence in the world. This, and no other reason, is why the Germans are our enemies. We are not fighting the Germans, not the German people, German language, German culture, not even the German emperor, but the politics of violence with which they are threatening the world.

It is the Germans, people, emperor, language, culture, only if they make themselves into bearers of the violent flag. Which are the Germans, with a special emphasis on that word, since they are so victorious. To desert a victorious enemy would be treason as black as to refuse mercy to the defeated. Let the weak and those not free choose their enemies in order for them to fight the defeated and make peace with the victorious. Because a strong and grand and free people is each enemy's victory, a new calling, a new invitation.

The imperial winner should not [xxxxx] too much for his victories. He has great precursors in world conquerors, who all have found their Waterloo. Free people can win defeats but they cannot be defeated without being annihilated. And the last has proven to be unthinkable. Even if it would come to a [xxxx] between the German eagles, fighting in the name of violence, and the American eagle, fighting in the name of freedom, a thousand defeats must precede the victory, but the fight should never be surrendered, and also not the final result become more than one.

#### THE SWEDISH OPINION

"Westminster Gazette", London, writes the following about the Swedish opinion: "A strange change has happened to the opinion of the general public in Sweden as it is explained in the country's newspapers. It is important to learn that the finest liberal newspaper in Stockholm, Dagens Nyheter,

has published a main editorial in which a wish for a victory for the Entente is expressed stronger than ever before. The expressed opinion is that a German peace would be worse than a continuation of the war, and without doubt it gives power to the neutral countries and will perhaps appear also in Austria-Hungary and in Germany's other vassal states. Meanwhile it is with satisfaction we can note, that Sweden understands the issues at stake better and what a German peace would mean for Sweden, Scandinavian and the human race."