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AMON G. CARTER, PRESIDENT

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

May 21, 1943.

Honorable Winston Churchill,
The White House,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Churchill:

At the time I had the pleasure of meeting you in London last December I showed you a picture of a hat which I had previously presented to President Roosevelt and asked you if you would honor me by wearing one of these Texas hats. You replied in the affirmative and since my return, I have been making an effort to procure the hat, which fortunately was made possible a few days ago. I have requested the John B. Stetson Company in Philadelphia to forward the hat to Mr. Marvin McIntyre at the White House to be delivered to you, with the hope that you will accept it as a slight evidence of my appreciation of the great job you are doing.

In Texas a Stetson hat is the emblem of stability and good fellowship. No one in my estimation is better qualified to wear an emblem of this kind.

The John B. Stetson Company guarantees this hat for life. Any time it needs reconditioning, if you will send it back they will make it over as a new hat in its entirety without cost to you. I hope the size, which Mr. Brandon Bracken sent me, which incidentally I had Marvin McIntyre reaffirm is correct. If not, they will readjust it for you. With the Prime Minister of England and the President of the United States wearing a Texas hat, the country should be safe. I thoroughly enjoyed your speech and I am sure that it will have a tremendous constructive influence on our Allies as well as others we hope to have in our camp, not overlooking the morale of the fighting forces that are doing a great job every day.

My best wishes for a safe return and a happy landing.

Sincerely,

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A. G. Carter