

Munich, November 25, 1949.

Dear Mr. Colonel:

Your letter of 12 Nov. and the protocol was received. I agree with absolutely everything you write, not only with regard to questions concerning Bulgaria but also as to our unification. I fully agree with you. Sorry to say, after the events in Paris, about which you probably know reading Vuarashdane, Dr. G.M. DIMITROV has been encouraged. He was here and he has been in Turkey, Italy and Greece. I proposed here that we go to his meeting and have a discussion with him. The proposal was not approved. We sent a telegram to DOCHEV to come but he did not come. I keep personal contact with almost all of our former ministers and ministerial presidents (TSANKOV, NIKOLAEV, STAIKV, DOLAPCHIEV) and with Toncho TENEV. They all desire the unification but consider DOCHEV'S aspirations too hasty. They all have some political experience, I am also in touch with a number of Colonels. It will be hard to make them embrace a premature action. And it is true - a Master Sergeant cannot command a Colonel. In the same way the former ministers and Prime Ministers will not agree to be commanded by one of their former clerks. Having this in mind and at the same time appreciating DOCHEV'S idealism, his vitality and readiness to fight, I have been helping him. However, he is in a rush and is lacking experience in the great struggles which I went through in Bulgaria, in connection with the deceased King Boris III. Let us please continue our correspondence in this line. Let us not allow any suggestions to bother us, and let us we two write each other clearly and truthfully and help the others not to fight each other but to unite. The events, more than ever, now call for such an attitude.

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