

## LUXEMBOURG.

### ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH LUXEMBOURG.

*Mr. Hay to Mr. Newel.*

No. 1, Luxembourg Series.]

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
*Washington, June 10, 1903.*

SIR: Referring to previous correspondence in relation to the addition of Luxembourg to your mission, I inclose herewith—

1. Your commission as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the Netherlands and Luxembourg;
2. The President's letter, addressed to His Royal Highness the Grand Duke of Luxembourg, accrediting you to Luxembourg;
3. Office copy of the same;
4. New letters of credit in duplicate, the original, when signed, to be forwarded by you to the bankers at London and the duplicate to be retained by yourself;
5. The oath of office which, when subscribed to by you, is to be returned to the Department.

You will proceed to Luxembourg at the earliest convenient day after July 1 next for the purpose of presenting in the usual way your letter of credence to the Grand Duke, and you will draw on the Secretary of State for such expenses as shall be incurred in carrying out this instruction, supporting your draft by a separate account.

I am, etc.,

JOHN HAY.

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*Mr. Newel to Mr. Hay.*

No. 3, Luxembourg Series.]

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES,  
*The Hague, July 29, 1903.*

SIR: Pursuant to instructions in Department's No. 1 (Luxembourg Series), dated June 10, 1903, I have the honor to report that I wrote to Mr. Eyschen, the minister of state and president of the Government, announcing that I would arrive at Luxembourg, with Mr. Garrett, the secretary of this legation, at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, the 16th instant, and requesting that word might be sent to me at the Hotel Brasseur as to when we could call and pay our respects to him. On arrival I found awaiting me an invitation to breakfast at the Chateau de Berg with the Hereditary Grand Duke on the following day, and a letter from Mr. Eyschen, in which, after welcoming me to Luxembourg, the minister stated that he would be

at my service, in the hotel of the Government, from 5 until 7 o'clock. At 5 o'clock I called with Mr. Garrett on Mr. Eyschen, who took the opportunity to express the high appreciation felt by his Government on receiving a representative of the United States.

The next morning we were met at the railway station by the minister of state, Comte de Villers, secretary to the Grand Duke for state affairs, and Captain van Dyck, aid-de-camp to the Grand Duke and commandant of the armed forces. We proceeded by train to Colmar, less than an hour's journey from the capital, and were driven to the Chateau de Berg, the summer residence of the Hereditary Grand Duke, who, in the absence of the Grand Duke, acts as his representative. As the Grand Duke had requested, I delivered my letter of credence to Mr. Eyschen. My reception was most cordial. Together with the officials mentioned above and Baron von Ritter, marshal of the court, we lunched with the Hereditary Grand Duke. Later in the afternoon we returned to Luxembourg and left cards on the officers of the Government, the ministers of France and Germany, and the Belgian chargé d'affaires. In the evening Mr. Eyschen gave us a dinner in the hotel of the Government, at which were present, among others, the French and German ministers and high officials of the state.

The following day, having made my farewell visits, I returned to The Hague. \* \* \*