

"I cannot over emphasize the seriousness of the chancery problem. We must find a solution whereby we can not only suitably accommodate those countries which may be achieving independence in the months to come and those countries already independent but not yet established in Washington. They will have to find suitable locations in the District of Columbia. We don't believe it is fair or wise to insist that they locate in highly congested and expensive commercial districts. Diplomacy is not a commercial enterprise and should not be conducted in such settings."

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