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Your minute on Washington telegram No.2542,
 paragraph 1.

Our report does not exclude Geneva. The
 State Department official had probably
 misinterpreted a passage in the abbreviated
 version of the report which was telegraphed to
 Washington. The State Department will not
 have had the full text of our report, which
 makes it quite clear that Geneva is a possibility
 and sets out its advantages, particularly in
 simplifying transfer of the property now vested
 in the League of Nations.

2. The whole question of the seat of the new
 World Organisation has been argued in the Foreign
 Secretary's memorandum of the 23rd March to
 the Armistice and Post-War Committee (A.P.W.(45)35 -
 Annex I). The conclusion is that Geneva has

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much in its favour and that we should press
its claims, but not beyond a certain point
in the likely event of opposition from
the Russians and others.

(sd.) O.G.S.

20th April, 1945.

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