

Vietnam

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Dear Wes:

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I know that Gardiner & Co. are after M.S.U. This is no secret. I have had words with him on the subject and will have more when he gets back. What the enemies -- and they are enemies -- have failed to consider is the position of the government, and its desire to have M.S.U. continue, barring unexpected changes. Musolf is most careful and diplomatic, and I am sure he has given them no cause to have M.S.U. done in. However, it is an old story, and it is too bad that a University has to kowtow to that kind of an institution. I wouldn't fight for the questionable privilege of a USOM association. By the way, I am not surprised at Gardiner; he is my greatest disappointment, and not good enough, believe me, to tie Barrows' shoe laces. When I urged him upon my friends in Washington I made a real error of judgment.

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/s/ Wolf

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