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Dear Sir:-

Our mutual friend, Mr. Luis Morones, presented to me your letter of April 20th which I assure you I received and read with interest and great pleasure.

Mr. Morones has discussed with me at considerable length the situation in Mexico and I have endeavored to the best of my ability to be helpful to him all of which he will no doubt inform you when he hands this letter to you for you will realize the inadvisability of writing of several of these matters in detail.

Quite apart and in addition to the regret which we must all feel at the killing of the late President Carranza I feel quite sure that it has aroused both sympathy for him and his as well as a resentment against those who are responsible for his death. I know that the feeling of the American people was one of distrust of President Carranza in the last two years, the feeling that he was not only hostile but unnecessarily antagonistic to the United States but from the information I can now gather I am sure that the killing of the late President Carranza has provoked a spirit of sympathy for him, his fate and his family. There is every appearance that the leaders of the revolution have been entirely blameless for this awful deed. Mr. Morones has informed me that for several weeks before he left it would have been an easy task for the revolutionists to make President Carranza a prisoner, but that the orders of the chiefs of the revolution were not to make any attempt to capture him for fear of bodily harm being possible or probable in the effort to take him. To those who sympathize with the cause of freedom, justice and humanity in Mexico I think it is the essential duty of the leaders of the revolution to make absolutely clear and beyond question those who were really responsible for the killing of Carranza.

With assurances of my high regard, I am,

Sincerely yours,

President,
American Federation of Labor.

General A. Obregon,
Chilpancingo,
Mexico.