December 8, 1947

My dear Mr. French:

,x8122 Your letter of November thirtieth. addressed to Mrs. Truman, has been referred to this office. In reply, I sincerely regret to advise that we are unable to meet your wishes for the President's autograph.

So many requests of this kind are being received that if the President were to attempt to comply with them he would have little time left for his manifold official duties. Because he has had to regretfully refuse in so many other instances. I know you will realize how difficult it would be for him to make an exception and do for one what he could not possibly do for all.

With very best wishes.

Very sincerely yours.

MATTHEW J. CONVELLY Secretary to the President

Mr. R. P. French, U.S. Marine Hospital. 14th Avenue & Lake Street, San Francisco. California.

Ret'd block of four Brazilian stamps x13-2 & self-addressed stamped envelope

Card bearing Aimelia Earhart's autograph returned to writer with letter stating that his request to the President is being referred to Executive Office of the President.

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November 30# 1947 Mrs Juman mis Elen out of I would be very gratebult to you I you could aske the President if he would Autograph this Block of 4 Stamps which Brazil has Honored our Presedent on his visit to Kat country. This would sure make me very happy. Lam enclossing an Antograph of Emslia Earhart for your relf mers Turman, I would like you to have this, as I have one for my welf - Thanking you very much in advance, for what you can to. Sincerely M.G. French M.S. marine Gospital Day francisco. Market le alifernia.