

Letter from George Marshall to Robert Schuman (14 January 1949)

Caption: On 14 January 1949, George Marshall, US Secretary of State, writes a letter to Robert Schuman, French

Foreign Minister, in which he recognises the role of France in the reconstruction of post-war Europe.

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The secretary of State Washington

January 14, 1949

Dear Mr. Minister:

It was deeply gratifying to me to find in you a true and understanding friend at a moment when our two countries were facing such momentous issues. After our association in Paris, I believe that under leaders such as you France cannot help but achieve rapidly the recovery which the character and indomitable spirit of her people have already set in motion.

As I leave my post, I wish you every success in the carrying out of the difficult tasks which confront you.

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Faithfully yours,

Marshall

His Excellency Robert Schuman, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Paris.

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