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2 West 45th Street, New York City.

June 23, 1937.

Dear Mrs. Hampton:

Thank you for your letter of June 22nd. While the papers reported Miss Earhart was delaying several days at Bandoeng, she herself by telephone to me at 2 A.M. yesterday, June 22nd, reported that she leaving "tomorrow", that is, Wednesday morning.

"Wednesday morning" in Bandoeng would be midnight last night. However, we have no word from her whatsoever this morning so I just don't know. All I can report is that when I talked to her yesterday she expected to be in Lae by the 24th, ready to take off for Howland.

As a matter of fact, if she is a day or two behind that schedule it will be all the better, as it will give the Itasca time to get everything in order at Howland and coordinate the weather reporting.

I expect to leave tonight for the coast. Mr. Miller knows my movements. I am always reachable immediately through my secretary here, who is quite familiar with all details.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ruth Hampton, Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C.