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37, Duke Street,  
Oxford Street, W.1.

11th September, 1930.

Sir Herbert Baker, K.C.I.E., A.R.A.,  
14, Barton Street, S.W.1.

Dear Baker,

re South Africa House.

In the examination of your plans the question has arisen for consideration as to whether it would not be better to have, instead of the large main passenger lift, two slightly smaller lifts.

There is already additional space round the main lift which would enable two lifts to be installed with only slight re-arrangement. The advantages of two lifts would include the following:-

- (1) One lift still working if one goes out of order temporarily. This is a consideration to which we attach great importance.
- (2) In a building of many floors such as the new South Africa House, a single lift would entail twice as much waiting at landings as if two lifts are working. We feel sure that with two lifts in the main well it would be much more certain to give efficient service, and we rather feel that with a building of this size the provision of two lifts in totis is too little.

Yours sincerely,

(SGD.) OSCAR FABER.