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Dear American Women,

Darkness was encompassing the whole world and a great tribulation was consuming the nations, it was the European War. But, the darkest times may be brightened, when distress is sustained by a unity of nations. There was one, however, who was lacking that solace, that one was the Armenian nation. An obdurate obscurity had covered the sky of Armenia. Ferocious armies were surrounding and ransacking her from everywhere. The civilized nations of Europe were exorbitantly occupied by themselves and they could not think upon the succour of Armenia. A first christian country in the world was condemned, alas, to not revive the great war. But yet, she didn't lose her hope and continued in superhuman strains to support with herself the claims of Right.

Suddenly, luminous stars began shining upon the horizon of Armenia, those were the glorious stars of America. "Long live the United States" was the heart-felt shout that was spontaneously flying up from the mouths of thousands of Armenian soldiers, orphans and women. Thus then, it is America, the farthest one from us, the pioneer of civilization, the torch-bearer of christianity, the gallant and magnanimous America that we are indebted to, our life. America became the greatest support for the economic life of Armenia, and we believe, she will also save her political life in the future.

Armenian women, being deeply affected for the powerful voice your union, "The Women's Committee of the United States Council of National Defence" raised so nobly for protecting the honour and life of Armenian woman against comminations, we dare to present to you, as a small expression of gratitude, the first flag of Free Armenia, which, we offered to day to the American Consulate of Cairo, to be sent to you. It will, in its simplicity, be the symbol of the unselfish politics of the Great American Republic, by which, she decidedly defended small and poor Armenia.

In hoping that you should not refuse us to accept this simple memorial as the same, we offer you our profound gratitude on behalf of all Armenian women.

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