



Mr.
Jeffrey Epstein

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Dear Mr. Epstein

This year marks the centenary of the outbreak of World War One and the bicentenary of the opening of the Congress of Vienna – two dates that profoundly shaped the course of history. While in 1814, towards the end of the Napoleonic Wars, the concerted powers of Europe were architects of a new international system, the leaders of 1914 have famously been described as sleepwalkers, stumbling into war. At a time of escalating and complex challenges – from regional tensions in Ukraine, the Middle East and the South China Sea to global threats like climate change, the financial crisis and growing inequality – what can leaders of today learn from these historic events in order to enhance international peace and security?

To discuss these issues in an informal environment among a select group of leaders:

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We hope that you can join us for this event that will provide the leaders of today with a unique opportunity to enable us, at a time of rapid change and complex challenges, to reflect on the lessons of the past to create a better future. Kindly let us know if you'll be able to attend by sending an Email to Johanna Borstner (borstner@ipinst.org).

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