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September 26th, 1928.

My dear Mr. Whitehouse,

Many thanks for your kind letter of September 11th. During the rush of work here in Geneva I have not been able to answer it before.

I cannot say how glad I would be to be able to visit you at Bembridge School, but I do not know whether it will be possible for me to do so in any near future. As it looks now I shall have so much to do, that I really do not know how it will be possible to fulfil any commitment.

Now, as to the scheme for preserving the "Fram" I can only once more thank you heartily for the great interest you take in this matter. As to your question I can say that the best man to communicate with as regards the present condition of the "Fram" would be Captain Otto Sverdrup (address Sandvika, pr. Oslo, Norway), as he has been urging the necessity of preserving the ship and has made an estimate of how it could be done. I think that the sum proposed, which I understand was 2000 £, would chiefly do the work, but this I believe Sverdrup could say more definitely and I may see him when I come back to Norway next week.

You are quite right that the Norwegian Government owns the "Fram".

With most cordial regards,

believe me, my dear Mr. Whitehouse,

Very sincerely yours,

Fridtjof Nansen.

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