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Stuttgart April 20th, 1815

My dearest Brother

It is with a very grateful
Heart I take up my Pen, to return you
thanks for the affectionate message you were so
good as to send me by Lord Castlereagh; whose
Letter I have just received. I feel deeply the
kind attention with which you have attended
to my application in favour of the King,
and of the amiable manner in which you
authorized Lord Castlereagh to speak to Count
de Benoldingen who took no time in imparting
this conversation to the King, which was
so very interesting to him, as it gave him
hopes of obtaining a subsidy which is
absolutely necessary to enable him to defray

the expenses of this war. The King on receiving
 Count de Berolingen's dispatchs has been to
 name General de Duffer to treat with the
 Duke of Wellington, the General set off for
 Head Quarters early this Morning where I
 hope he will negotiate with success. I wrote
 to the Duke of Wellington to recommend
 this Officer and mentioned your favourable
 dispositions towards us.

Since I wrote to you last my dearest
 Brother the accounts from Italy have
 given us much uneasiness, but now thank
 God Affairs have taken a better turn which
 makes me hope that Murat will continue
 retreating by which means things will

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remain quiet in that quarter of the globe &
This will enable the allied Forces to act
together. The first division of the 'Hinterberg'

troops marched yesterday

The King desires me to present his Compliments
to you and say how deeply he feels the
handsome manner in which you have
expressed yourself concerning his having
come forward at this awful moment.

Knowing how much your time is taken
up I will now dear Brother take my
leave and remain with sincere love
and friendship

My dearest Brother

Yours most affectionate

Sister and devoted friend

Charlotte

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