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Sir,

In continuation of Lord Acton's despatch to Earl Curzon, No. 383 of July 3, I have the honour to report that the Minister for Foreign Affairs informed me yesterday that a representative of the Vorarlberg had been to see him about a month ago to ask whether the Swiss Government could not take steps to bring about the union of the Vorarlberg with the Swiss Confederation. 4592

Monsieur Calonder had referred the delegate to the Peace Conference and had added that, in any event, it would be necessary for the Vorarlberg to obtain the right of disposing of its own destinies before the Federal Council could even consider the matter.

Monsieur Calonder added that he understood that German-Austria was most reluctant to let the Vorarlberg secede from her territory.

I have forwarded a copy of this despatch to the Foreign Office.

I have the honour to be with the highest respect,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

Horace Rumbold

The Right Honourable,
A. J. Balfour O.M., M.P.,
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Union of Vorarlberg with Swiss Confederation.
Refers to Berne desp. to F.O. No. 383 of July 3.
Has been informed by M.F.A. that a representative of the Vorarlberg asked whether the Swiss Govt. could not bring about above. M. Calonder referred the delegate to the Peace Congress. He understands German Austria is unwilling to let the Vorarlberg secede from her territory.
Repeated to F.O.

Writer.
Sir H. Rumbold.
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