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Is Cabinet Trying to Come to an Agreement Which to Sign.

GOMEZ CAMPOS SPEAKS FOR PEACE.

Would Be Desirous to Report Peace Under Conditions—Continue Operations in Porto Rico.

[illegible] Aug. 5.—The cabinet met in public session promptly at [illegible] today. It was stated that [illegible] were not expected to be present [illegible] the council of ministers [illegible] Premier Sagasta and Captain General Blanco, who are now in Madrid, [illegible] Duke of Tetuan, Minister of War, Admiral Bustamante, Minister of Marine, and Captain General Correa, Minister of Ultramar, who were now together, clearly showed that the cabinet was the council given to the consideration of the peace question, especially in view of the proposal to open negotiations [illegible] Minister Cambon.

The Minister said that a great number of notes in the government [illegible] were not sent, some [illegible] enough it had been reported [illegible] of the cabinet might [illegible] the question of immediate [illegible] of hostilities. The impression [illegible] of Spain had [illegible] the government [illegible] Spain would be willing [illegible] the Philippines [illegible] Cuba and Porto Rico [illegible] Spain would not be willing [illegible] Cuba and Porto Rico.

[illegible] Aug. 5.—The cabinet met today. It was stated that [illegible] Premier Sagasta, Captain General Blanco, Admiral Bustamante and Captain General Correa were present. The Minister of War, the Duke of Tetuan, was not present, but was represented by a [illegible] who was understood to be in possession of the views of the Minister of War. The Minister of Marine was also represented by a subordinate. The Minister of Ultramar was expected to come from Madrid, but he did not come. It was understood that the ministers were discussing the question of the peace protocol, and that the ministers were not in a position to make any statement as to what it was to be sent forward to Washington.

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