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April 7th, 1933.

My dear Mr. Secretary:-

I have issued strict instructions to Mr. Forster and everyone else who in any possible way may be in a position to receive messages from your department- that in no case should an envelope addressed to me and marked confidential or personal, be taken from your messenger, but that they should be taken into my room and handed either to myself or to Miss Durand for whose responsibility I vouch.

I will, of course, then be responsible, and I will see that the messages go directly to the President and the President will see that they are returned directly to me. Through this arrangement I hope we will prevent any unfortunate leaks.

I would like to request that if this arrangement is satisfactory to you that such unparaphrased cables be sent over addressed to me marked personal or confidential, for if I am going to be held responsible I have to be sure that they do not fall into other hands enroute, and if they are addressed to the President, they are very apt to be handed to one of several people to be delivered to the President at their leisure.

Of course, if the President is at the White House, send the messages to him there and not to the Executive Offices, addressing them directly to him, and this will insure against their going into other hands.

Very truly yours,

Louis McH. Howe
Secretary to the President.

Honorable William Phillips,
The Under Secretary of State,
State Department,
Washington, D. C.

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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

March 31, 1933.

Dear Colonel Howe:

In accordance with my instructions, the Department sent you over this morning, for the President's information, copies of telegrams regarding the proposed boycott of Jews in Germany.

You will note that these telegrams were coded in confidential code. At one time the Department followed the practice of transmitting such telegrams in paraphrase. However, considering the delay occasioned by the time necessary to make paraphrases and the desirability that the President should be in a position to peruse the actual texts of important telegrams, the Department will, continue, if you approve,

The Honorable
Louis McH. Howe,
Secretary to the President,
The White House.

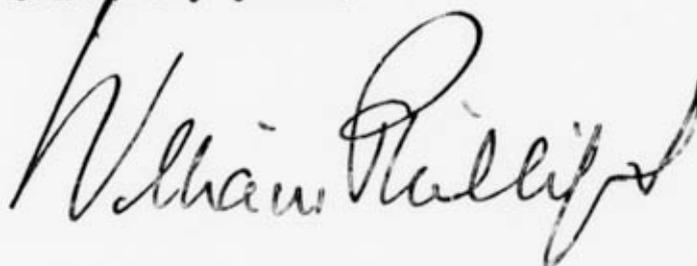
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to send copies of telegrams in the original text.

I should like to emphasize, however, that the protection of the code makes it essential that the telegrams be carefully guarded and that no portion of them be made public at any time without prior paraphrasing.

In addition, may I suggest that when the copies of these telegrams have served their purpose they be returned to this Department?

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William Phillips". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed text "Sincerely yours,".

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 TO ; THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.
 INFO; THE TEMPORARY WHITE WHITE HOUSE AT GALVESTON, TEXAS.

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May 1, 37

DIGEST OF IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS AS OF ONE MAY PERIOD
 GERMANY THE EMBASSY AT BERLIN REPORTS THE VICIOUS ANTI CLERGICAL PRESS
 CAMPAIGN AND THE HEAVY SENTENCE OF ELEVEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT IMPOSED
 UPON A CATHOLIC YOUTH LEADER FOR ALLEGED ASSOCIATION WITH COMMUNISTS
 BEAR WITNESS TO A NEW NAZI DRIVE UPON CATHOLIC INSTITUTIONS PERIOD THE
 PRESS REPRESENT MONASTERIES AND CHURCHES AS BREEDING PLACES OF VICE AND
 CONTINUE THE ATTACK WITH REPORTS OF CLERGICAL IMMORALITY TRIALS PERIOD
 THE OFFENSIVE SEEMS TO BE INTENDED AS AN ANSWER TO THE RECENT PAPAL
 ENCYCLICAL ON GERMANY AS WELL AS A DRIVE AGAINST LOCAL CATHOLIC
 ORGANIZATIONS PERIOD RADICAL NAZIS ARE APPARENTLY AGITATING FOR STATE-

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BLACK SIXTEEN

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-CONTROL OF MONASTERIES AT ANY COST AND BARRING THE CONTINGENCY THAT
 THEY MAY BE ABLE TO FORCE A RADICAL EVOLUTION IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THEIR
 PRESSURE MAY CAUSE THE MORE RESPONSIBLE STATE AUTHORITIES WHO WISH TO
 ABIDE BY THE CONCORD AT MY OBEIOUS THE QUESTIONS WITH VATICAN PERIOD
 EVIDENTLY WITH A VIEW TO MINIMIZING CATHOLIC/DIGNATION THE PRESS
 ENDEAVOURS TO DRAW A DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE CLERGY AND THE LAITY PERIOD
 THE FLEXIBILITY OF NAZI PROPAGANDA AND THE STIGMA OF DISCREDIT UPON THE
 CHURCH MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO VISUALIZE HOW THE CATHOLIC FOLLOWING CAN
 EFFECTIVELY REPLY PERIOD GENERAL EUROPEAN SITUATION PERIOD IN A
 CONVERSATION YESTERDAY FOREIGN SECRETARY EDEN TOLD AMBASSADOR BINGHAM
 THAT HIS RECENT CONVERSATIONS IN BELGIUM HAD BEEN SATISFACTORY-

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BLACK SEVENTEEN

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- SEMICOLON THAT HE HAD BEEN ASSURED BY BOTH THE KING AND THAT THE RECENT SETTLEMENT HAD ALLAYED THE LONG IRRITATION IN BELGIUM TOWARD FRANCE SEMICOLON AND THAT FOR THIS EDEN THOUGHT ON THE WHOLE THE FRENCH POSITION HAD BEEN STRENGTHENED PERIOD EDEN STATED THAT HE SAW NO EVIDENCE OF ANY PRO-GERMAN ATTITUDE EITHER ON THE PART OF THE BELGIAN KING PRESS OR GOVERNMENT PERIOD HE SAID THAT WHEN SCHACT WAS RECENTLY IN BELGIUM HE TOLD VANZEELAND THAT ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN GERMANY WERE BAD AND TENDING TO BECOME WORSE AND THAT AS A RESULT GERMANY WAS DRIFTING TOWARD COLLAPSE WITHIN OR A MILITARY ADVENTURE WITH OUT SEMICOLON AND THAT TO SCHACHTS MENTION OF THE RESTORATION OF GERMANY COLONIES VANZEELAND REPLIED THAT HE COULD SEE NO ADVANTAGE TO GERMANY BY -

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BLACK EIGHTEEN

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 TO ; THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
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-SUCH RESTORATION PERIOD EDEN FELT THAT ITALIAN COMING COST IN SPAIN AND ETHIOPIA HAD SO WEAKENED ITALY THAT ^M VESSELNTI HAD DETERMINED TO ELIMINATE AUSTRIAN QUESTION AS BETWEEN GERMANY AND ITALY COMMA AND THUS TO THAT EXTENT GIVE GERMANY A FREER HAND IN CENTRAL EUROPEAN AREA PERIOD TAKING THE BROADER VIEW EDEN PROFESSED COURAGEMENT OVER THE GENERAL SITUATION AND VOLUNTEERED THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE GERMANY WOULD PRECIPITATE WAR WITHIN THE NEXT YEAR PERIOD ANGLO AMERICAN RELATION PERIOD EDEN MENTIONED TO AMBASSADOR BINGHAM THAT VANZEELAND HAD SAID THAT HE WAS LOOKING FORWARD WITH GREAT INTEREST TO HIS VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES AND WAS DETERMINED TO ACHIEVE RESULTS ECONOMICALLY THEREFROM PERIOD IN THIS CONNECTION EDEN REFERRED TO -

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BLACK NINETEEN

FROM; THE STATE DEPARTMENT WASHINGTON, D.C.
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-THE DESIRABILITY OF CONCLUDING AN ANGLO-AMERICAN TRADE AGREEMENT AND STRESSED THE FACT THAT HIS COLLEAGUES WERE FAVORABLY DISPOSED THERE-TO PERIOD THE TONE WHICH EDEN ADOPTED TOGETHER WITH OTHER INDICATIONS WHICH HAVE REACHED THE EMBASSY LEAD MR BINGHAM TO THE CONCLUSION THATTHE BRITISH ARE DETERMINED TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ACHIEVE AGREEMENT AND HE CANNOT BUT FEEL COMMA THEREFORE COMMA THAT ANY BRITISH ANSWERS THAT MAY RECENTLY HAVE BEEN MADE TO WASHINGTON DONOT NECESSARILY CONSTITUTE THEIR FINAL POSITION ON EVERY ITEM PERIOD MR. BINGHAM HAS ALSO GATHERED FROM HIS AUSTRALIAN COLLEAGUE THAT AUSTRALIA IS ANXIOUS UNOSTENTATIOUSLY TO DROP OVERBOARD ITS TRADE DISCRIMINATION POLICY COMMA AND THAT AT THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE AUSTRALIAS GOING TO TAKE THE POSITION THAT ASIDE FROM A FEW PREFERENCES VITAL TO HER WELFARE SHE WOULD BE WILLING TO WAIVE HER RIGHTS- -

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TO ; THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
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-- OTHERS IN THE INTEREST OF THE PROMOTION OF A FREER GENERAL MARKET PERIOD AUSTRIA PERIOD AMBASSADOR DOOD HAS THE IMPRESSION THAT GERMANY'S OFFICIAL OPINION REGARDS AS GENERALLY SATISFACTORY THE RECENT MUSSOLINI SCHUSNIGG CONVERSATION COMMA THE NEW\$ STATUS OF BELGIUM COMMA AND EDENS VISIT TO BRUSSELS PERIOD HE FEELS THAT WHILE MUSSOLINI MAY NOT HAVE BETRA' AUSTRIA TO THE EXTENT MANY BELIEVE COMMA THE VENICE CONVERSATION REVEALS A MARKED DEPARTURE FROM THE QUOTE WATCH ON THE BRENNER UNQUOTE ATTITUDE COMMA AND ARE A STRONG BID FOR GERMAN SUPPORT FOR ITALY EITHER IN SPAIN IN THE EVENT ANGLO-ITALIAN DIFFICULTIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN PERIOD THE AUSTRIAN LEGATION IN BERLIN FEELS THAT WHILE MUSSOLINI WILL GO FAR IN SEEMING TO FALL IN WITH GERMAN DESIGNS AS TO AUSTRIA PARTICULAR AND AND CENTRAL EUROPE IN GENERAL COMMA IN THE LAST ANALYSIS HE DOES NOT INTEND TO ABANDON - -

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 TO ; THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
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-- AUSTRIA TO HER FATE COMMA AND WILL ALWAYS WANT TO AVOID ACTUALLY HAVING GERMANY AT THE BRENNER PERIOD ON THE OTHER HAND AS CONCERNS CZECHOSLOVAKIA MUSSOLINI IS HOSTILE COMMA AND QUITE POSSIBLY MIGHT ACQUIESCE IN ANY GERMAN DESIGNS ON CZECHOSLOVAKIA WHICH IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE ISOLATED PERIOD MR. DODD SAYS THAT DESPITE EVERY OUTWARD INDICATION OF AN INTENSIFIC ACTION OF ITALY GERMAN REPROACHMENT COMMA HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH GERMAN OFFICALS CERTAINLY INDICATE NO CHANGE IN THE FUNDAMENTAL DISTRUST IN GERMANY OF ITALY PERIOD MR. DODD CONSIDERS THAT THE FREQUENT INTERCHANGE OF VISITS COMMA DISCUSSIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS NOW GOING ON AMONG MANY OF THE EUROPEAN POWERS MAY COMMA IN THE END COMMA SHOW THAT EACH COUNTRYS INTEREST ARE INVOLVED WITH SO MANY OTHER STATES THAT THE FORMER CLEAR ALLIANCES AND BALANCES OF POWER ARE NO LONGER PRACTICABLE- -

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 TO ; THE PRESIDENT
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--THIS MIGHT INDICATE THAT BLOCS COMMA NEITHER IDEA LOGICAL OR OTHER WISE COMMA ARE NO LONGER FEASIBLE COMMA THUS LAYING THE BASIS FOR A GENE-AL CORPERATION IN EUROPEAN COMPUKSORY AND SO UNREALISTIC ENDURING GROUNDS PERIOD JEWISH QUESTION PERIOD AN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR DESIRE COMMA I INSTRUCTED AMBASSADOR BINGHAM ON APRIL TWENTYSEVEN TO CALL UPON MR. EDEN AND INFORM HIM THAT IMPORTANT JEWISH GROUPS IN THE UNITED STATES ARE PRETURBED OVER RUMORS THAT IN THE FORTH COMING REPORT TO BE MADE BY THE ROYAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO PALESTINE ENTIRELY CEASE OR ELSE THAT SOME SYSTEM OF ARAB AND JEWISH CANTONS BE ESTABLISHED PERIOD MR. BINGHAM WAS DIRECTED TO MENTION IN THIS CONNECTION THE HARD-SHIP ALREADY WORKED UPON THE JEWS BY THE REPRESSIVE MEASURES OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES IN EUROPE AND TO POINT OUT THAT BY REASON OF THEIR EXPERIENCE AT THE HANDS OF CERTAIN EUROPEAN - -

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TO ; THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
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--GOVERNMENTS THE JEWS OF THE WORLD HAVE COME TO REGARD THEMSELVES AS THE LOGICAL SUPPORTERS OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTION AND NATURALLY LOOK TO THE DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS OF THE WORLD TO ACCORD THEM FAIR AND EQUITABLE TREATMENT PERIOD IN VIEW OF THE UNCERTAINTY AS TO TURKISH POLICY WITH RESPECT TO THE PALESTINIAN QUESTION I REQUESTED A FRANK EXPRESSION OF OPINION BY AMBASSADOR MACMURRAY AS TO THE PROBABLE RECEPTION WHICH THE PRESIDENT OF TURKEY WOULD ACCORD TO AN EXPRESSION OF VIEWS TO THOSE WHICH AMBASSADOR BINGHAM HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO LAY BEFORE MR. EDEN.--

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-- AMBASSADOR BINGHAM WAS RECEIVED BY MR. EDEN APRIL THIRTY MR. EDEN SAID THAT WHILE HE COULD NOT MAKE ANY DEFINITE STATEMENT WITHOUT DISCUSSING THE COMMISSION REPORT WITH WHICH OF COURSE HE WAS FAMILIAR HE DID SAY THAT HIS FRIEND HAD HAD CONSTANTLY IN MIND THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE MANDATE COMMA BOTH THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL JEWISH SITUATION COMMA AND ALSO THE ARAB AND MOSLEM SITUATION PERIOD MR. EDEN FELT THAT HE COULD GO NO FURTHER THAN THIS STATEMENT AT THIS TIME PERIOD AMBASSADOR MACMURRAY HAS REPLIED THAT BECAUSE OF TURKEYS SPECIAL UNWILLINGNESS TO TAKE A POS\$TION AT ODDS WITH THE ARAD PEOPLE COMMA - -

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TO : THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
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- - AND ITS PRESENT POLICY CLOSE COOPERATION WITH GREAT BRITIAN COMMA
ITS INTRANSIGENT POSTWAR POLICY WITH REFERENCE TO MINORITIES AND ITS
SENSITIVENESS TOWARD THE IDEA OF INTERVENTION IN ANY FORM ON BEHALF OF
MINORITY GROUPS COMMA HE CAN NOT ENCOURAGE THE HOPE THAT AN EXPRESSION
OF VIEWS IN THE SENSE OF THOSE LAID BEFORE MR. EDEN WOULD BE FAVORABLY
RECEIVED BY THE TURKISH AUTHORITIES PERIOD IN FACT COMMA AMBASSADOR
MACMURRAY IS OF THE OPINION THAT ON THE CONTRARY THE REPRESENTATION OF
SUCH VIEWS WOULD MORE LIKELY MEET WITH REBUFF AND WOULD IMPAIR THE
CONFIDENCE AND GOODWILL WHICH THIS COUNTRY NOW ENJOYS IN TURKEY.....(END)