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THIS REPORT DATED OCT 27 FROM BLACK SEA.

RUSSIAN "E" BOATS RAIDED BAY WEST OF SEVASTOPOL NIGHT OCT 23 PROBABLY SINKING ONE TANKER AND RAIDED ANAPA NIGHT OCT 25 WHERE IN SPITE OF NEW BOOM DEFENSE SUCCEEDED IN SINKING TWO "F" BARGES AND ONE TUG. ENEMY "E" BOATS HAVE BEEN ACTIVE BUT WITHOUT SUCCESS. AN ENEMY SUBMARINE SIGHTED OFF TUAPSE ON 24TH. A RUSSIAN CONVOY UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED BY ENEMY AIRCRAFT WHICH HAVE BEEN VERY ACTIVE. ON 24TH RUSSIAN AIRCRAFT BOMBED ANAPA AND SANK SCHOOER AND ONE "E" BOAT. LAND OPERATIONS SHAPSUGSKAYA QUESTION MARK A SLIGHT RUSSIAN ADVANCE NORTH OF THE VILLAGE, OTHER SECTORS QUIET. MAIKOP AREA RUSSIANS REPULSED NEW ENEMY ATTACK TOWARD TUAPSE NIGHT OCT 25 TO SIX.

* MEANING MAY BE "OPERATIONS SHAPSUGSKAYA (?) A SLIGHT ETC"

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Harvest season Vladivostok and Eastern Siberia considered completed. Crops in general estimated have been very good but is no means determine area sown or yield per acre. Labor shortage believed have been acute such that portion some crops said have been lost. Weather Vladivostok excellent clear and cool. No snow to date. Weather ideal for military operations. Supply of skilled labor estimated be very acute. Where ever possible women used replace men for military services. Many enterprises stores and construction projects discontinued or closed for duration. Probably no shop in Vladivostok handling merchandise excluding bread stores is operating at more than one third capacity. Persons who evacuated during summer and early fall appear be gradually returning.
ALL REICHRD SUPPLIES ARRIVING PQ18 CONSIGNED TO XYLES FROM AMERICAN BRITISH AND CANADIAN ORGANIZATIONS HAS BEEN CONFISCATED BY SOVIETS.
German anti-submarine units are based in Mariehamn in the Aland Islands. The population there is said to be pro-British and pro-Swedish and German officers are often annoyed by phonographs in public places which play God Save The King. We learn that torpedoes used by the Russians include many duds and they are said to be very slow. It is reported that a Russian submarine has been sunk in the Gulf of Bothnia.
SS Schoharie completed loading 1,882 standard poor quality lumber in 9 days at Omega and returned here. Master and ships company report huge Soviet air base and large troop concentration including tank battalion recently concentrated that port. City and surroundings have not yet been bombed but AA protection much in evidence. One 80' foot berth and two 450 foot berths available with 15 feet water at low tide but ships can only get within 25 feet from dock because sunken logs and barge and must rig skids to load. Rise and fall tide along side dock 6 feet. 90 foot channel dredged to 16 feet at low water with 2 foot rise and fall tide. Schoharie loaded 75 per cent of cargo along side to 7 foot draft and topped off from barges at anchorage in Leash Goli Island where good holding ground available. No cranes warehouses or loading equipment.

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INDICATE BY ASTERISK ADDRESSEES FOR WHICH MAIL DELIVERY IS SATISFACTORY.
SBNO NORTH RUSSIA REPORTS THAT RUSSIANS CLAIM THAT BY END OF OCTOBER THERE WILL BE AVAILABLE AT MURMANSK RAILWAY FACILITIES AND SUITABLE WAGONS. 16 BERTHS TO UNLOAD 16 SHIPS SIMULTANEOUSLY. FULL SUPPLY OF COMPETENT LABOR.
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CAPT PAPANIAN STATIS EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO KEEP MOLOTOVSK AND EKONOMIA OPEN THIS WINTER WITH HELP OF RUSSIAS 4 LARGEST ICEBREAKERS. CHANNEL BEING DREDGED TO 27 FEET IN MOLOTOVSK WITH CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT TO BERTHING FACILITIES.
HARSHA ROSE OUR PROVISIONS IN MILITARY TRAIN MOLO-
TOVSK TO MOSCOW 9 DAYS. 75 KILO SOUTH TUNDRA STOPPED
ALONG SIDE SOUTH BOUND TROOP TRAIN GROUND PERSONNEL
FEW PILOTS TRUCKS AUTOS WITH FEMALE ARMY DRIVERS ALL
AVERAGE AGE 20. 25 STAYED ENROUTE FRONT HIGH SPIRITS
WELL CLOTHED. 20 NORTH SUHONA RECENTLY ARRIVED 19
CAR HOSPITAL TRAIN FROM SOUTH FRONT VERY CLEAN WELL
HEX WOUNDED MOSTLY ARM LEG VERY GOOD SPIRITS ANXIOUS
RETURN FRONT. INVITED DINNER CABBAGE SOUP, BREAD, BUT-
TER, POTATOES, SAUSAGE, TEA, SUGAR. ALL NIGHT ALERT
YAROSLAV 19 SEARCH LIGHTS LOW CEILING HEARD AIRCRAFT
BUT NO BOMBS. ALEXANDROVSK 8 TROOP TRAIN HEADED
NORTH TO REAR FOR RESTING FROM STALINGRAD. PLENTY
HORSES NO INDICATION USED IN BATTLE. 1 JEEP HIGHEST
ADMIRATION. FORD DODGE TRUCKS ESPECIALLY LATTER PRAISED DURABILITY. MEN TIRED RUGGED WELL FED AGE 39-35 CLOTHING RAGS FEET SOME BURLAP WRAPPED. SHARED AMPLE BREAKFAST GRUEL PLUS MEAT POTATOES STEAK 3RD GERMAN GOOD FIGHTERS BUT NOT HEART IN FIGHT AS RUSSIANS, RUMANIAN SLOVAK TROOPS ROTTEN. ALL HAVE HAZY IDEA DIFFERENCE GREAT BRITAIN USA APPEAR BELIEVE SAME COUNTRY, ALL INQUIRE ABOUT 2ND FRONT. ALL EXCEEDINGLY FRIENDLY HELPFUL HOSPITABLE.

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LIAISON OFFICER RUSSIAN BLACK SEA FLEET REPORTS CINC AND HIS STAFF HAVE MOVED TO SUKHUM. BLACK SEA FLEET INACTIVE.
SUBMARINE PATROLS OFF BULGARIAN AND ROMANIAN COASTS UNABLE TO OPERATE AS ENEMY SHIPPING KEEPS TO NEUTRAL OR MINE DEFENDED.
WATERS. 273 BARGES LOADED WITH GUNS AND 12 BOATS HAVE PASSED DOWN THE DANUBE. 25,000 MINS BROUGHT DOWN DANUBE BY GERMAN
ARE ACCORDING TO RUSSIANS FOR USE IN AEGEAN. IN NOVOROSSISK AREA RUSSIANS HOLD THE INITIATIVE BUT ENEMY COUNTER
ATTACKING STRONGLY. HEAVY BOMBING OF TUAPSE UNIKOP ROAD MAY PRELUDE ENEMY ATTACK IN THIS DIRECTION.

NIGHT 13TH-14TH 2 DESTROYERS BOMBARDED REODOSIA IN CRIMEA AND STARTED FIRES. A CAPTURED GERMAN PILOT HAS
STATED THAT THE JUNKERS 235, A GENERAL PURPOSE AIRCRAFT IS NOW USED AS A FIGHTER. SPEED, 630 KM PER HOUR, CREW 4.
INTENSIVE BOMBING OF TUAPSE CONTINUES. LAND ATTACKS IN THIS DIRECTION STARTED ON THE 13TH. THOUGH STRONG, THE RUSSIANS CLM TO BEATEN OFF ALL THESE ATTACKS. THEY HAVE ALSO RETAKEN THE ANCHOR PASS.
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AVARAGE MOSCON MONTHLY RATION IN GRAMS WITH Roubles

PER KILO:

300 SUGAR 5; 50 TEA 2; 1200 MEAT 10; 200 BUTTER 2.

PER DAY BREAD: 500 PRICE KILO BLACK 1; GREY 170; WHITE 280. ABOVE THIS NORM PRICES FANTASTIC USUALLY ONLY BY BARTER. ARCHANGEL MANY CHILDREN IN THE STREETS QUITE OPENLY OFFERING 90 Roubles CHOCOLATE BAR, 50 FOR PACKAGE CIGARETTES WITH NO INTERFERENCE BY POLICE.

SMALL GOLD CIGARETTE CASE MOSCON JEWELRY 27, 000 Roubles SECOND HAND FUR COAT 12, 000.

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PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM

No. 897  Dated: October 16, 1942, 3 p.m.
From: Kuibyshev  Rec'd: October 17, 1942, 1:45 p.m.

On the evening of October 15th the commander of the
Kuibyshev garrison informed me that he had that afternoon
returned by plane to Kuibyshev after having spent 2 days in
Stalingrad. He mentioned that what he had seen there had
been most encouraging. He stated that the Germans have
reached only the outskirts of the city and that they were
making no progress whatsoever. He is of the opinion that
it will not be at all possible for the Germans to take the
city this year. He told me of having seen heaps of German
dead in the streets in the outskirts where attack after
attack had been launched regardless of losses during their
efforts to enter the city. The commander mentioned that
some of the bodies were of recently killed Germans. Others
had obviously lain in the streets for days.

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PARAPHRASE

Telegram no. 981

From: Helsinki

Dated: October 15, 8 p.m.
Rec'd: October 15, 10 p.m.

From a reliable source I have learned that Germans began construction about 2 weeks ago of fortified lines to the east of city of Narva, Estonia and it is believed also along the Luga river between Narva and nearer to Russian town of Kirkisepp. This action would indicate that Germans do not plan to attempt to take Leningrad at the present time and also that they are preparing position for possible withdrawal from the area of Leningrad should that be necessary. Although German troops are continually transiting the country in both directions there is still only small number garrisoned in Estonia.

Schoenfeld
PART 1 - 151110 NCR 8456
PART 2 - 151115 NCR 8921
PART 3 - 151212 NCR 8795

TOLLEY TRIP ARCHANGEL FOLLOWING INFO:

A. BRITISH INDICATE THEY RECEIVE FREQUENT DETAILED DATA FROM SOVIETS ESTIMATED GERMAN AIR STRENGTH DISPOSITION ENTIRE FRONT. 129 BOMBERS NORTH NORWAY FINLAND DURING TRIP LAST CONVOY 45 LOST ATTACKS 45 WORE THROUGH DAMAGE AND ATTRITION REMAINDER USED ARCHANGEL ATTACKS 28TH AND 29TH.

B. PERSONAL OBSERVATION ABOVE RMDS ABOUT 10 Planes EACH NIGHT AT MOONRISE APPARENTLY ALL JUNKERS 88 INDEPENDENT HIGH AND VERY LOW LEVEL EXPLOSIVE AND INCENDIARY PLUS PARACHUTE FLARES. MANY DUD INCENDIARIES DATED 1936 AND 1937. DEFENSE WILD FIRST NIGHT IMPROVED GREATLY SECOND. ABOUT 30 SEARCH LIGHTS 30 GUNS ARCHANGEL EQUIVALENT NUMBER MOLOTOYISK. ALL DAMAGE ARCHANGEL SIDE RIVER FAR FROM AREA SHIPS DOCKED. DAILY GERMAN RECONNAISSANCE AND MANY NIGHTS FAVORABLE RAIDING BUT LOCALS BELIEVE GERMANS LACK PLANES AND ALSO DUE BOMBING FINNISH FIELDS WHICH CONFIRMED BY ENEMY RADIO.

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C. BRITISH CONFIRMED BY RUSSIAN. NO NIGHT FIGHTERS ACOUSTIC BUT NO RADIO LOCATION OR FIRE CONTROL. ONE SHOT DOWN FIRST NIGHT, TWO SECOND.

D. PERSONAL OBSERVATION RAILWAY MOSCOW ARCHANCEL STONE BALLAST TO ABOUT 40 MILES NORTH MOSCOW REST SAND GRAVEL EXCELLENT DRAINAGE. RAILS ABOUT 120 POUND SLIGHT WEAR SINGLE SPIKED OUTSIDE, DOUBLE INSIDE, 5 BOLT SPLICE BARS ONE TO THREE ANTI CREEPERS PER RAIL. SMALL FISH PLATES. 280 TIES PER MILE VERY GOOD CONDITION. DOUBLE TRACK TO VANDISH WHERE DOUBLING NORTHWARD NOW IN RAPID PROGRESS. BRIDGES DOUBLE THAT FAR, SMALL ONES WOOD, LARGER ONES STEEL TRUSS, NONE GUARDED OR PROTECTED IN ANY WAY. LOCOMOTIVES WOOD BURNING, ABUNDANCE FUEL ALONG ROAD. ROLLING STOCK, LOCOS SHOW EVIDENCE CARE AND GOOD UPKEEP GENERALLY IN VERY GOOD CONDITION AND ONLY ITEM IN RUSSIA WITH PAINT APPLIED.

MANUAL BLOCK SIGNALS, NOTHING ELECTRIC. AVERAGE ONE TRAIN PER HOUR AND QUARTER LOADED 34 CARS OF 69 TONS, EMPTY 59.

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NO EVIDENCE WRECKS OR BOMBING ENROUTE. ABOUT 50 WRECKED AND BURNED OUT LOCONS AND CARS ON SIDINGS NEAR MOSCOW.

MAINTENANCE GANGS ABOUT 16 WOMEN FEW MEN EVERY THREE MILES. SEVERAL SPARE RAILS TIES EVERY QUARTER MILE. PASSENGER TRAIN SPEEDS UP TO 60 SOUTH VOLGOBA, UP TO 49 NORTH. PLENTY CARS, BUT INDICATIONS SHORTAGE ENGINES. RUSSIANS SAY KONTaskanosha LINE OPEN BUT NO OTHER CONFIRMATION. NO RAILWAY EAST BANK OF DIVA SOUTH FROM ARCHANGEL. LINE TO MURMANSK FUNCTIONING THROUGHOUT ALSO CONNECTING LINE WITH ARCHANGEL. SAW 15 SPECIAL 60 TON CARS FOR CARRYING SMALL SUBMARINES. HAVE PIVOTED CRADLE AMIDSHIPS TO SUPPORT HULL ON TWO CARS. BRITISH RECENTLY SAW BOATS IN TRANSIT MOLOTOVSK. NO APPARENT CONSTRUCTION VESSELS IN MOLOTOVSK BUT VERY LARGE COVERED WAYS COMPLETED AND SHOPS GOING UP IN RESTRICTED AREA. STEVEDORES MOLOTOVSK LARGELY PRISONERS, POOR WORKERS. FRANKEL.

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IN VLADIVOSTOK BLACK MARKET EXISTS IN SENSE THAT PERSONS HAVING FOOD, CLOTHING, PRODUCE TO SELL PREFER EXCHANGE THEM FOR OTHER NECESSITIES IN PREFERENCE TO MONEY, ACCORDING SOVIET LAW FOREGOING ILLEGAL. SAME ALSO EXISTS TO LIMITED EXTENT IN SENSE THAT PERSONS RECEIVING CERTAIN ITEMS SUCH AS GASOLINE, SUGAR, TOBACCO AS PART THEIR QUOTA HAVE BEEN APPROACHED BY PERSONS EITHER RECEIVING MORE ON THEIR QUOTA OR, IF SO, NOT RECEIVING ENOUGH. BLACK MARKET IN SENSE ILLEGAL EXCHANGE RUBLES FOR FOREIGN CURRENCY DOES NOT EXIST OR SO SLIGHT UNOBSERVABLE. GENERAL NO WELL ORGANIZED BLACK MARKET IN ANY COMMODITY EXISTS. BLACK MARKET AS DOES EXIST IS BETWEEN PRIVATE PERSONS. IS UNDERSTOOD THAT BLACK MARKET IS BOTH MONEY AND COMMODITIES EXISTED TO SOME EXTENT WHILE FOREIGN SHIPS WERE CALLING HERE BUT THAT NO MARKET HAS EXISTED SINCE LAST FOREIGN SHIP CALLED IN NOVEMBER 1941. DUE EXTREME RESTRICTION THIS OFFICE HAVE HAD NO OPPORTUNITY EXPLORE BLACK MARKET AS SAME WOULD PROBABLY CAST SUSPICION ON BOTH THIS OFFICE AND EMBASSY.
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PARAPHRASE

TELEGRAM: NO. 963
DATED: OCTOBER 13, 4 p.m.
FROM: HELSINKI
REC'D OCTOBER 13, 9:18 p.m.

Following information has today been received from source referred to in my telegram of February 19, numbered 133.

Some months ago the unit of the Finnish army to which he is attached was transferred to the vicinity of Uhtua from Kiestinki which at time of his transfer was actually occupied by Finnish troops. Uhtua remains in Russian hands at present time. Our informant stated that perhaps 1 company of Finns continue to operate with Germans who have taken over position at Kiestinki. Entire Finnish force in Uhtua sector is under command of Lieutenant General Siilasvu. General Siilasvu is now responsible to Finnish GHQ at Mikkeli although last year he and his command were under orders of Falckenhorn and later Fietl. Statement in my telegram of August 21, no. 699, suggested that Finnish troops had been withdrawn to Hukajarvi on 64th degree latitude. That statement contrasts to present statement regarding position at Uhtua which is north of 65 parallel of latitude.

We learn from our informant that at Uhtua the Russians were forcibly fortified and in his opinion Germans would not be able to cut Murmansk railway north of this point. Our informant stated that it has not been possible for the Germans to use mechanized equipment in the far north at any time due to the fact that during the winter it was too cold and during the summer the Muskeg was too soft for tanks. In view of the fact that they have had a costly year of acclimation informant is of the opinion that on the whole German troops in the north would fare better this winter. It is the opinion of this informant that heavy German troop concentrations in the north are intended to deal with possible attempt to establish second front in this area rather than in preparation for an offensive against Murmansk.

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In German circles here it is said that after taking Stalingrad, Grozny and Tuapse, it is planned to hold in the Caucasus and drive toward Leningrad; that a strong offensive will be made in Egypt; that numerous motorized German troops have been going through Brenner Pass and that 5% to 6% bombers and an unknown number of combat planes have recently gone to Lybia.

Arabs working with Germans say that contingents of Arabs have been sent to Egypt under command of Lieutenant Colonel Krombacher. The number of effectives is not known.

Same sources state that Rommel’s mission is to prevent the Allies from taking part in the Russian campaign in the Caucasus and that if he fails sabotage will be resorted to.

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As of September 25 enemy reported making day and night coastal reconnaissances regular bombing of Tuapse. 50 planes raided ports on 23rd causing little naval damage. Gemendark and other small coast towns bombed. Enemy convoy attacked off Rumadian Coast by W class submarines on 25th sinking 1 merchantman of 2199 tons. No larger scale activity Novorossisk but Russian Marines retook several heights north of town at Shapsugzay 25 miles north of Gelendjik. Russian Artillery partially destroyed troop concentrations including Rumadian mountain units. Believe enemy intention to advance down river valley to Gelendjik cutting off Russians to northeast. As advanced along coast road is very difficult this attack may precede a series of breaks through Caucasus mountains to sea. Above from British Liaison Officer Russian Black Sea Fleet.

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IN GERMAN CIRCLES HERE IT IS SAID THAT AFTER TAKING STALINGRAD, GROZNY AND TUAPSE, IT IS PLANNED TO HOLD
IN THE CAUCUS AND DRIVE TOWARD LENINGRAD; THAT A STRONG
OFFENSIVE WILL BE MADE IN EGYPT; THAT NUMEROUS MOTORIZED
GERMAN TROOPS HAVE BEEN GOING THROUGH BRENNER PASS AND
THAT 500 TO 600 BOMBERS AND AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF COMBAT
PLANES HAVE RECENTLY GONE TO LYBIA.

ARABS WORKING WITH GERMANS SAY THAT CONTINGENTS
OF ARABS HAVE BEEN SENT TO EGYPT UNDER COMMAND OF
LIEUTENANT COLONEL KROMBACHER. THE NUMBER OF EFFECTIVES
IS NOT SHOWN. SAME SOURCES STATE THAT ROMMEL'S MISSION
IS TO PREVENT THE ALLIES FROM TAKING PART IN THE RUSSIAN
CAMPAIGN IN THE CAUCUS AND THAT IF HE FAILS SABOTAGE
WILL BE RESORTED TO.

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OFFICER RUSSIAN BLACK SEA FLEET.

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FOOD SITUATION VLADIVOSTOK AND FAR EAST SIBERIA NOW FAIR DUE SUPPLIES FROM AMERICA AND END LOCAL HARVEST SEASON, STILL ARE USUAL LINES PEOPLE AT ENTRANCES RESTAURANTS AND FOOD STORES. RATIONING RIGIDLY IN EFFECT FOR THOSE THINGS OBTAINABLE. FOREIGN DIPLOMATS ALL PUT ON RATION FORM AND IN GENERAL GET PREFERENCE OVER NEARLY ALL SOVIETS. PRICES ALTHOUGH FANTASTIC ARE SECONDARY TO AVAILABILITY, VERY OFTEN SUCH ITEMS AS BUTTER CHEESE SOAP MEATS ARE TOTALLY UNOBTAINABLE. WHEN MEAT OBTAINABLE USUALLY ONLY ONE KIND IS AVAILABLE FOR EVERYBODY. LATER SOME OTHER MEAT IS OFFERED. WHEN MEAT IS ISSUED APPEARS ALWAYS VERY OLD AND TOUGH. IS RUMOR WHICH SO FAR UNABLE VERIFY THAT REGULATION EXISTS NO ONE CAN KILL ANIMALS FOR MEAT WITHOUT PERMISSION GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES. ALTHOUGH MORE SHIPS COMING VLAD FROM U.S. NOW THAN ALL SUMMER APPARENTLY MOST SHIPMENTS BEING TRANSPORTED WEST BY RAILROAD UNABLE DETERMINE WHAT PORTION SHIPMENTS FROM AMERICA FOOD, FOR SOVIET EMPLOYEES WORKING FOR AMERICANS QUESTION FOOD FAR OUTWEIGHS SALARY CONSIDERATION. TIPS OF MONEY ALTHO ACCEPTABLE MUCH LESS DESIRED THAN GIFTS FOOD AND CLOTHING.
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INCOMING MESSAGE

PARAPHRASE

Department of State
The Secretary
October 1, 1942

Telegram no. 894
Dated: Sept 30, 5 p.m.
From: Helsinki
Rec'd: Sept 30, 3:14 p.m.

On September 30 I have learned from the source referred to in my telegram of September 16, no. 802, that he had on September 29 spoken with an Estonian who had just recently arrived at Helsinki from Tallinn. The Estonian stated that truly formidable preparations are being made by the Germans in connection with the impending operations against Leningrad. Large quantities of foodstuffs and military supplies were being shipped from ports of Estonia. It was the opinion of this source however that the objective of the German campaign might be limited to the elimination of the Russian salient near Kronstadt. Through this operation the Germans would be in a position to shell that fortress with heavy artillery. The Germans would also then be able this winter to bombard the Red fleet when it will probably be immobilized by ice. This source ventured the opinion that it would be late October before operation against Leningrad would be begun by the Germans from the south. At that time the freezing of the marshes will make it possible to move guns and tanks over them.

Our informant has recently learned from a high Finnish officer that the opinion is held in military circles in Helsinki that the Germans will make an effort to take Leningrad and that in that operation the Finnish army would inevitably be involved. It was also pointed out by this officer that the Finns might find themselves the object of attack by Russian troops on the Karelian Isthmus. It is alleged that these Russian troops are being reinforced by between 4 and 5 divisions.

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ARCHANGEL UNDERWENT SEVERE AIR RAID LAST NIGHT WITH CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE IN CENTER OF CITY FROM INCENDIARIES AND HIGH EXPLOSIVES. DOCKS AND SHIPS IN ARCHANGEL AREA UNTouched.
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PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM
No. 855  Dated: September 24, 1942, 2 p.m.
From: HELSINKI  Rec'd: September 24, 1942, 12:25 p.m.

We have recently received information from a corporal on leave from U.S.S.R., that hostility toward
the Germans is great due to their inactivity in the North
and that the morale of the troops, including their officers,
is bad. The corporal stated that the northern area is a
sea of mud making living conditions there most trying.
In order to attempt to combat the low morale GBQ has been
sending propaganda leaflets to the men telling them that
they are fighting for the freedom of their children et cetera.
It is stated that such material is not effective
and seldom distributed.

According to the Chief of the French section
of Information Service prominent Finns have now been
affected by police persecutions, some having had their homes
searched without warning. No other reports to
this effect have as yet reached us. According to this
same source the four most prominent men in the Finnish
Government, namely Mannheim, Ryti, Walden and Tanner,
would like very much to free themselves from German
entanglements although they see no possibility of doing so.

Specific directions to avoid any unfriendly
reference to the United States have been given to the
Information Service.

SCHOENFELD  By DBS  Date: MAY 21, 1973
American Minister

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PARAPHRASE

Telegram No. 817  
Dated: September 19, noon

From: Helsinki  
Rec'd: September 19, 11:20 am

Good source is of the opinion that full scale
German offensive will start in next few weeks against
Leningrad. For bombarding Leningrad same source in-
forms us that huge siege guns employed by Germans in
reducing Sevastopol are being brought to the North.

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UNABLE OBTAIN DETAILED STREET AND WATER FROM PLAN VLADIVOSTOK X AN INFORMED CONSULATE HEREE HAS BEEN TRYING SINCE ESTABLISHMENT JANUARY 1941 OBTAIN SAME LIKewise WITH NO SUCCESS X IF ONE EVENTUALLY OBTAINABLE WILL FORWARD IT

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HAVE RECEIVED FOLLOWING WRITTEN REPLY TO MY WRITTEN
EXPRESSION OF DESIRE SEE VLADIVOSTOK HARBOR FACILITIES
"IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT YOUR DESIRE TO SEE THE
VLADIVOSTOK HARBOR FROM A BOAT COINCIDE WITH A NUMBER OF
UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOCAL CHARACTER OUR AUTHORITIES
DEEM IT "POSSIBLE" TO MEET YOUR WISHES AT THE PRESENT
TIME."

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PROBABLY WORD IS "IMPOSSIBLE"."
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SHORE LINE OF ZOLOTOIROG THE SHIPPING HARBOR OF VLADIVOSTOK COMPLETELY ENCLOSED BY HIGH BOARD FENCE. SENTRIES ARE PLACED AT REGULAR INTERVALS PREVENT BOTH FOREIGNERS AND SOVIETS FROM VISITING SHIPS AND DOCK FACILITIES. PRESPECTIVE VIEW INDICATES ZOLOTOIROG IS ABOUT SIZE SAN DIEGO HARBOR AND IS WELL PROTECTED FROM SEAS. KNOWLEDGE GAINED FROM PREVIOUS VISITS WOULD SAY MAXIMUM DEPTH 28 FEET OR SUCH THAT CRUISERS QUINCY TYPE COULD SAFELY MAKE CENTER OF HARBOR. IN PAST INQUIRIES SOVIETS HAVE EVADED ANSWERING QUESTIONS ON DEPTH OR WHAT DREDGING HAS BEEN DONE ASKED BY AMERICANS HERE. ESTIMATE 10 MERCHANT SHIPS DRAWING ABOUT 22 FEET COULD

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BE ACCOMMODATED ALONG SIDE DOCKS AND FROM 1/2 TO 2/3 OF SAME DISPLACEMENT IN HARBOR. IN ADDITION THAT PART OF AMUR BAY ADJACENT VLADIVOSTOK CAN ACCOMMODATE UNLIMITED NUMBER STEAMERS IF NECESSARY. IN SUCH CASE STEAMERS WOULD HAVE TO DISCHARGE ONTO LIGHTERS AND SMALL BOATS THEN TAKEN ASHORE.

IN SUCH CASE NEAREST PART OF SHORE NOT OVER 1 MILE FROM RAIL ROAD STATION. DEPTH AMUR BAY SUITABLE FOR STEAMERS UP TO MAXIMUM DRAFT 1 MILE OR LESS FROM SHORE. HERE DO NOT HAVE DIRECT ACCESS SOVIET OFFICERS. FROM 13 JUNE TO ABOUT 10 AUGUST WHEN DESIRED SEE SOVIET OFFICER HAD CALL DIPLOMATIC AGENT REPRESENTING MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS. IF SUCCESSFUL APPOINTMENT MADE AND SOVIET OFFICER AT OFFICE OF DIE AGENT.

PRIOR THAT DATE ALL TRANSACTIONS WERE CARRIED ON WITH DIPLOMATIC A ENT SOLELY. SINCE 18 AUGUST A ROOM IN HOTEL CHELSKIN HAS BEEN MEETING PLACE WITH SIMILAR PRELIMINARIES.

ROOM IS NOT RED OFFICER'S OFFICE. HAVE SO FAR BEEN UNABLE
VISIT NAVAL PREMISES, NOR HAS LIAISON OFFICER EVER BEEN
WILLING COME CONSULATE. SECRETIVENESS OF THIS OFFICE HAS
FORCED ME BE EXTRA CAUTIOUS AND CONSIDER HAS WORKED AGAINST
PROBLEM OF GETTING INFORMATION. DIPLOMATIC AGENT IN COOPER-
ATION WITH NKVD REPEAT NKVD IS OBVIOUSLY HERE PREVENT CON-
TACT OF FOREIGNERS WITH RUSSIANS, THEREFORE MOST BUSINESS
HAS BEEN CONFINED TO MERCHANT SHIP MOVEMENTS AND PLANE FLIGHT
QUERIES AND ACTUALLY IS ACCOMPLISHED 99 PER CENT OF THE TIME
BY EXCHANGE WRITTEN NOTES. IS OBVIOUS SOVIETS DESIRE
MINIMUM CONTACT BETWEEN LIAISON OFFICER AND THIS OFFICE.
THEREFORE HAVE HAD BE CAREFUL DID NOT TOO MUCH QUESTION
RUSSIANS FOR RUSSIANS OWN PROTECTION. FEEL SURE PLAIN
CLOTHES DETECTIVES WATCH MY MOVEMENTS. ARREST OF POLISH
DIPLOMAT WITH DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT AND STATUS ON 30 JUNE HIS
PHYSICAL CONFINEMENT AND RELEASE ON 12 JULY CONFIRMED MY
OPINION OF NEED OF CAUTION. HE OCCUPIED HOTEL ROOM RIGHT

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NEXT MINE. IN GENERAL RAILWAY IN SIBERA AND UP TO MOSCOW IN FAIR CONDITION. SAME SHOULD BE ABLE BEAR QUITE HEAVY TRAFFIC AT MODERATE SPEEDS FOR 2 OR 3 YEARS WITH CAREFUL UPKEEP. SUPPLY LOCOMOTIVES AMple DUE NUMBER MOVED FROM WEST. MANY ARE IN RESERVE. RAW MATERIAL ESTIMATED BE VERY SCARCE AS ALSO PROBABLY IS SKILLED LABOR. WOMEN BEING USED FREELY IN ALL INDUSTRIES. IN VLADIVOSTOK LABOR IS ACTUALLY VERY HARD TO GET. FOOD SITUATION CRITICAL ALLEVIATED SOMEWHAT BY SUPPLIES FROM AMERICA AND SUMMER VEGETABLES. FOOD RIGIDLY RATIONED. DOUBT IF MANY HAVE ENOUGH EAT. STILL ARE LONG LINES PEOPLE AT FOOD STORES AND RESTAURANTS, FROM 1 TO 510 BEING COMPH AT EACH RESTAURANT. PRICES ARE VERY HIGH SO PEOPLE PREFER SNAP GOODS. BLACK MARKET EXISTS TO CERTAIN EXTENT WILL TRY MAKE SPECIAL REPORT THIS SUBJECT LATER. HARVEST CONSIDERED GOOD. NOT YET ABLE DETERMINE AREA GROWN. NO SIGNS ANTI SOVIET SENTIMENT OR ORGANIZATION DUE

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INTENSE FEAR NKVD. MORALE UNKNOWN BUT MY IMPRESSION PEOPLE APPARENTLY FEEL HAVE NO SHARE IN GOVERNMENT. THERE ARE NO CHURCHES OF ANY RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION VLADIVOSTOK OR VICINITY. HAVE OVERHEARD RUSSIANS TALKING BUT NEVER ABOUT WAR. DETAILED DATA ON EACH SUBJECT IF OBTAINABLE WILL FOLLOW.

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RUSSIAN ASST NAVAL ATTACHE STATED TODAY NOVROSSISK CANNOT BE DEFENDED AND WILL BE EVACUATED IN ABOUT 1 WEEK. NO NAVAL FORCES USING PORT. THE BATTLESHIP PARIS COMMUNE WILL REMAIN AT SEA BECAUSE TOO DEEP FOR OTHER PORTS. RUSSIAN FLEET WILL FIGHT IT OUT IN EASTERN BLACK SEA AND NOT INTERN IN TURKEY. TUAPSE STRONGLY DEFENDED AND WILL BE HELD.

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IS TO DRIVE HARD WITH THE RIGHT WING IN NORTH EASTERLY
DIRECTION WHILE WEAKENING THE LEFT WING WITH VIEW TO
INDUCE RUSSIANS TO ATTACK THERE IN FORCE IN HOPE OF
RELIEVING CURRENT PRESSURE ON OTHER FLANK. GERMAN LEFT
TO FALL BACK BEFORE RUSSIANS TO A PREPARED DEFENSE LINE
EXTENDING EASTWARD FROM A POINT SOUTHWEST OF MOSCOW
AND HOLD ON THAT LINE WHILE STRAIGHTENING AND EXTENDING
IT EASTWARD. FROM THIS POSITION GERMANS TO DRIVE NORTHWARD WITH STRONG RIGHT WING TO CUT RUSSIAN COMMUNICATIONS
WITH RESOURCES THAT ARE BEHIND URALS. HE BELIEVES OUTCOME
THIS PLAN WILL DEPEND ON STRENGTH OF GERMAN RESERVE FORCES WHO
THAT CAN BE BROUGHT INTO ACTION AT PROPER TIME BECAUSE
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FOR PAST WEEK HAVE BEEN PERSISTENT REPORTS AUTHORITIES HAVE ORDERED ALL PREGNANT WOMEN AND WOMEN WITH CHILDREN UP TO 14 TO EVACUATE PROCEED CENTRAL SIBERIA. FOREGOING MAY BE TRUE AS FOR FIRST TIME SINCE 23 MAY OLD SECOND HAND FURNITURE IN COMMISSION SHOPS EXCEEDS DEMAND. SAME PREVIOUSLY EXTREMELY SCARCE. IS APPARENT SOME FORM EVACUATION BEEN GOING ON SINCE ABOVE DATE BUT SAME IS GRADUAL STEADY AND IS PUBLICIZED. ALMOST NO ORIENTALS HERE, I WOULD SAY NOT MORE THAN 1 ASIATIC PER 1000 POPULATION. MILITARY PREPARATIONS CONTINUE STEADY BUT SLOW. POPULATION HERE VERY CAUTIOUS, NO RUSSIANS DESIRING MINGLE WITH AMERICAN OR OTHER FOREIGNERS. LIMITED OPPORTUNITIES TALK PEOPLE GIVES IMPRESSION PEOPLE THINK WAR WITH JAPAN INEVITABLE. NOT BELIEVED HERE WINTER WEATHER WOULD STOP JAPANESE ATTACKING IF THEY SO DEEM ADVISABLE FROM STAND POINT WORLD WAR

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STRATEGY AS A WHOLE. CONSIDER JAPANESE FOOD SUPPLIES CLOTHING AND ARMAMENT IN MANCHURIA AND KOREA FAR SUPERIOR TO SAME IN SIBERIA ADJACENT THOSE AREAS.

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**ORIGINAL GERMAN STRATEGY PROVIDED FOR OCCUPYING CAUCASUS MOUNTAIN PASSES AND HOLDING THEM WITH RELATIVELY SMALL FORCE TO SECURE RIGHT FLANK WHILE CONCENTRATING ALL AVAILABLE FORCES FOR DESTRUCTION MAIN RUSSIAN ARMY. THE PLAN NOW APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN MODIFIED THE EXTENT THAT EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO TAKE BAKU DURING THIS STAGE OF CAMPAIGN UNLESS RESISTANCE TOO GREAT. BEFORE EVACUATING MAIKOP AND DRASNOGAR RUSSIANS DID SOME DAMAGE TO PIPELINES BUT DID NOT DESTROY OIL WELLS. ABOVE REPORT FURNISHED BY LOCAL AGENT.**

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SBNO ARCHANGEL REPORTED AIR ATTACK ON ARCHANGEL CITY OF 5 HOURS DURATION. COMMENCED AT 1830A ON THE 24TH. FIRES WERE STARTED BY INCENDIARIES FOLLOWED UP BY HIGH EXPLOSIVES.

NAVAL STORES AT NORWAY HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE AND FOR A PERIOD CYPhER OFFICE AND W/T GRAVELY THREATENED. POWER AND WATER SUPPLY FAILED BUT EARLY NEXT DAY MOST FIRES APPEARED UNDER CONTROL DUE TO RAIN. AA DEFENSES DESCRIBED AS PITIFUL.

PLEASE INFORM HARRIMAN AND LAND.
NAVAL MESSAGE

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NIGHT AIR RAID ARCHANGEL AREA 28TH. NOTHING DROPPED IN PORT BUT SUSPECT OUTER CHANNEL MINED. SWEEPING OPERATIONS IN PROGRESS. 2 GERMAN SURFACE RAIDERS IN KARA SEA 1 OF WHICH SU NK AUXILIARY ICE BREAKER QUOTE SIBIRACOV

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PART I

CONSULAR CLERK ZIMINSKI LEFT VLADIVOSTOCK 18 JUNE
AND RECENTLY ARRIVED ANKARA VIA MOSCOW, KURBYSHEV,
SARATOV, STALINGRAD, ASTRAKHAN, BAKU AND TIFLIS.
HE SPEAKS RUSSIAN FLUENTLY AND APPEARS TO BE A KEEN
OBSERVER. FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF HIS OBSERVATIONS:

VLADIVOSTOCK EXPECTING WAR FOR LONG TIME AND HAS
NUMEROUS BARRAGE BALLONS. ALL OVER RUSSIA THE FAR EASTERN
ARMY IS RATED VERY HIGH AND OPTIMISTIC IN CASE OF WAR WITH
JAPAN. DETACHMENTS FROM THAT ARMY ARE SAID TO HAVE
DRIVEN THE GERMANS FROM ROSTOV LAST FALL. VOROSHILOFF
IS NOW IN COMMAND OF THE EASTERN ARMY. NO TROOPS
WERE OBSERVED MOVING WESTWARD ALONG THE ROUTE ALTHOUGH
MANY WERE MOVING WESTWARD ONE YEAR AGO. THE TRIP FROM

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VLADIVOSTOCK TO MOSCOW TOOK 12 DAYS WHICH IS TWO DAYS LESS THAN A YEAR AGO.

THO PROBABLY RELIABLE INFORMANTS STATED THAT TUNNELS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED UNDER CERTAIN RIVERS ALONG THE SIBERIAN RAILROAD ADJACENT TO THE MANCHURIAN FRONTIER FOR USE IF BRIDGES ARE DESTROYED. TUNNELS AT KAROVSK AND KRASNOYARSK WERE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED. THROUGHOUT THE TRANS-SIBERIAN JOURNEY OBSERVED LARGE QUANTITIES OF EVACUATED MACHINERY MOSTLY UNPACKED MOVING EASTWARD ALSO DAMAGED TRUCKS, TANKS AND AIRPLANE MOTORS, MANY APPARENTLY DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR AND MANY BADLY DAMAGED AND BURNED RAILROAD CARS AND LOCOMOTIVES BEING TOLED EASTWARD AS FAR AS URALS.

PART II

ARMY MORALE VERY HIGH BUT CIVILIAN MORALE INCREDIBLY LOW PEOPLE OPENLY GRUMBLING. MOST ELDERLY

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PEOPLE ARE ANTl SOVIET. FOOD CONDITIONS VERY BAD AND FAMINE IS EXPECTED THIS WINTER. LENINGRAD WAS ALMOST STARVED OUT LAST WINTER. A DECREE IMPOSING THE DEATH PENALTY WAS ISSUED AGAINST EATING HUMAN FLESH AT LENINGRAD LAST WINTER. SHIPS OFFICERS ON VOLGA SAID SEVERAL TIMES STEVEDORIES AND OTHER LABORERS ON THE RIVER WERE UNABLE TO WORK BECAUSE OF TOO LITTLE FOOD. THERE WAS NO FOOD ON VOLGA STEAMER FOR PASSENGERS DURING THE 5-DAY JOURNEY FROM KULIBYSHEV TO ASTRAKHAN. OIL FROM STALINGRAD TANKS IS BEING MOVED NORTH IN LARGE QUANTITIES. SHIPPING ON THE VOLGA BETWEEN SARATOV AND ASTRAKHAN IS BEING HEAVILY BOMBED MOSTLY IN THE VICINITY OF STALINGRAD. AIR DEFENSE APPEARS WEAK EXCEPT AT STALINGRAD. NEW DECREES ARE SAID TO REQUIRE ALL PASSENGERS ON VOLGA STEAMERS TO GO ASHORE AT NIGHT BECAUSE OF THE FEAR OF FIFTH COLUMN ACTIVITIES ALONG THE VOLGA.

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ENEMY RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS OVER MAHKACHKALA

AUGUST 7 AND SIMILAR FLIGHTS REPEATED OVER BAKU.

BAKU WAS TENSE WITH NEAR PANIC AND EXPECTANCY OF ATTACK.
REPORTED THAT RUSSIAN SHIPPING ON THE BLACK SEA HAS
SUFFERED HEAVILY. INFORMED RUSSIAN ARMY WILL HOLD ON
LINE FROM GROZNY TO MAHKACHKALA. MANY TRUCKS MOVING
EASTWARD FROM TIFLIS. INFORMED TIFLIS HAS THREE
AIRPLANE FACTORIES AND EXPECTS EVENTUAL ATTACK.

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Telegram no. 2304
From: Stockholm
Dated: August 27, 10 a.m.
Rec'd: August 27, 12:40 p.m.

The following information has been sent to London for the secret and personal attention of the Ambassador and the Commanding General, European Theater.

The Military Attache has received this from a source on the General Staff:

The Volga on either side of Stalingrad has been reached by the German offensive. The German Military Attache in Stockholm says that the German plan is to go on the defensive and reduce the city by both ground and aerial bombardment. The German forces have reached the crest of the Caucasus mountains in the Kuban and Laba River valleys and are within artillery range of Novorossisk. Small Panzer units have reached the Astrakhan-Baku railroad and have blown up sections of it in the vicinity of the Kuma River, although there is no report as to the destruction of the bridge at that point. German forces have established a bridgehead south of the Terek River near its joining with the Ardon, but at a point just northeast of this point and north of Terek fighting continues. The Germans will assume the defensive, it is believed by the Swedes, along the lower Volga and upper Don, and they will concentrate on (one) the capture of Black Sea ports so as to deny them to the Soviet Navy, and (two) a rapid advance south of the Caucasus in the direction of Baku.

The Germans are being annoyed by Russian counterattacks at Voronezh and at other points as far north as Lake Ilmee, but these counter-attacks have not been successful except at Subzov, southeast of Rasev. Only isolated planes from northern Finland conducted the August 24 bombing on Archangel.

Following are the Panzer armies and names of commanders:
First, vicinity Grozny. General Hoth.
Second, northeast Bryansk. Its attack recently was repulsed at Sukhinichi. General Guderian.
Third, vicinity Vyazma. Commander is not known.

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Fourth, engaged in Stalingrad operations.

General Weichs.

Fifth, it is believed this is designation for Panzer troops in Africa.

Sixth, refitting inside Don elbow. General Paulus.

It is believed by Finns that Germans intend to attack Leningrad, but the Swedes believe that Germans are not willing to make this effort so late in the season. According to reports not yet confirmed, there are large Russian reserves, including Panzer organizations, southeast of Moscow.

Our Military Attache was told by a Swedish businessman, who returned recently from France, that at Lyon and Marseille on August 15 he saw more than 100 light bombers and fighters bearing German markings.

JOHNSON (American Minister to Sweden)

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ARCHANGEL CITY UNDERWENT FIRST AIR RAID LAST NIGHT LASTING 5 HOURS. MANY SERIOUS FIRES AND HEAVY EXPLOSIONS BUT NO DAMAGE TO OR BOMBS DROPPED ON SHIPS OR PORT INSTALLATIONS AT BAKARITSAS, KONOMIA OR<br>

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NAVY COMMISSAR TODAY INFORMED ME HE HAS DIRECTED GENERAL STAFF PROVIDE ME ANY INFORMATION I REQUEST. CANNOT PREDICT RESULTS THIS STATEMENT BUT AM PUTTING IMMEDIATELY TO TEST.

ABOVE PROBABLY RESULTED FROM EPISODE AT KREMLIN DINNER FOR CHURCHILL. STALIN SPOKE OF A VALUE ACCURATE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE IN WAR. IN REPLY TO TOAST TO U.S. NAVY I STATED I REALIZED THE TRUTH OF MR. STALIN'S STATEMENT AND THAT I WAS IN RUSSIA FOR THE PURPOSE OF GETTING INFORMATION. STALIN ROSE IMMEDIATELY AND ANNOUNCED "THAT IS MOST HONEST AND STRAIGHTFORWARD STATEMENT I HAVE HEARD TONIGHT AND IN LANGUAGE I UNDERSTAND YOU WILL GET YOUR INFORMATION AND I WILL BE YOUR INTELLIGENCE OFFICER IN RUSSIA". IN AFTER DINNER CONVERSATION WITH STALIN I REQUESTED HIM PERFORM FIRST INTELLIGENCE JOB BY DIRECTING NAVY COMMISSAR PROVIDE ME WITH INFORMATION I HAD REQUESTED. THIS HE DID IN MY PRESENCE. AT TODAY'S MEETING WAS GIVEN DETAILED INFORMATION GERMAN SUBMARINES WILL BE FORWARDED FIRST MAIL.

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August 10, 1942

PARAPHRASE

Telegram no. 2091  Dated: August 9, 3 p.m.
From: Stockholm       Rec'd: August 9, 2:32 p.m.

The Military Attache of this Legation was informed as follows by the executive officer of the Ministry of Defense last night.

One. The German offensive has proceeded as was forecast by the Swedish defense staff which assumed that the winter campaign had not seriously affected German morale. To this there are three exceptions:

(A) They were surprised at the ability of the Germans to continue the offensive without pause but they do believe that a pause will appear soon.

(B) The failure to capture Stalingrad.

(C) The inability of the Germans to capture or to destroy any sizable Russian forces. The Swedes believe the Germans had planned to encircle all forces around Rostov and on the eastern shore of the Azov. See my no. 642, dated March 25.

Two. According to Swedish staff estimates it is necessary to capture Stalingrad and Astrakhan in order to sever liaison and supply of forces in the south Caucasus. Provided the current Russian will to resist continues, the delay in starting the campaign does not leave sufficient time for taking over the entire Caucasus. There is no indication of any decline in the Russian will to resist.

Three. The executive officer denied absolutely the prevailing rumors that a submarine, thought to have been Russian and sunk by the Swedish Navy in the middle of July had been identified as German. He said the Navy in next to certain they sank one submarine with a second possibility but that neither of them had been located definitely.

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Colonel Huthsteiner was told by the French Military Attache that recently all the Military Attaches in Helsinki, with the exception of the American, made a tour of the front but that they saw no action of any description in the area visited which included the Karhumaki Petroskoi Line. Throughout the 4 days of their tour the party did not hear 1 shot fired and saw no planes. In that area the Finns were preparing their winter quarters. Some Italian Naval men were observed at Sortavala. It is presumed they were there to run the 8 or 10 Italian MTB's which are on Lake Ladoga.

The French Military Attache told our MA that the current thought was that the Germans would not undertake an offensive in the Murmansk area this year. Recently arrived German reinforcements were brought in 10 transports and landed in both main ports. Their total is considered to be less than 1 Division and French MA was uncertain as to whether they continued on to Norway or to the Northern Finnish front.

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LEGEND
Front Line, Aug. 8, 1942
Germans Furthest Advance Dec. 1941
Bombings Direction of Attack

SCALE

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

German continue drive in CAUCASUS.

ACTION
1. Powerful Soviet attacks in the KERES sector and steady pressure in the VOLHOV area are admitted by the Germans.
2. At VOROSHILOV, Soviet forces are alert for any action from this German springboard.
3. Reserves have been moved up to check the drive from KOROBOV on STALINGRAD.
4. German forces are poised to envelop the oil fields at MAIKOP and the refineries at KRAISOVAR.

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August 6, 1942

PARAPHRASE

Telegram No. 221  Dated: August 5, 6 p.m.
From: Lourenco Marques  Rec'd: August 5, 6:30 p.m.

Following is from Krentz formerly American Consul at Mukden.

With regard to reports in the press referring to a possible Japanese move toward Siberia. At the time of my departure early in June from Mukden information was given to me by a reliable neutral observer to the effect that military dispositions in Manchuria were at that time substantially the same as those reported last autumn in telegrams from Mukden.

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OSD letter, May 1, 1972
By DBS  Date MAY 21 1973

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
The Military Attache has been given the following from a reliable source on the general staff:

There are no reports from Berlin except official communiques since the Foreign Military Attaches are on a tour of the eastern front. It is the belief of the Swedish staff that the German offensive must pause soon in order to replenish supplies, particularly those troops south of the Don. It is still too early to give any appraisal of Russian counter moves or to determine whether the present check west of Stalingrad is due to Russian resistance or to difficulties of supply. It is the continued belief of the Swedes that the Germans will, late in August or early in September, attack the Murmansk railway, without Finnish assistance.

JOHNSON

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SOS (TAG)
Agents for the first time now report rumors regarding a possible separate peace between the Germans and Russians as coming from serious Germans. These rumors are characterized by the agents as being no longer "beer hall bologna" and they say that this time there may be something in them. Reference my 1400 dated April 7.

The rumors have been heard at Vienna and Magdeburg only and are founded on statements made by Nazis prior to conferences and meetings that "the point at which an acceptable peace is possible with the Russians is rapidly being reached" and also that "everything West of the Dnieper and Pripet Lake must be ceded by Russia who in turn will be allowed by Germany to look for compensation in the Near and Middle East at the expense of the English."

HARRISON

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DEPARTED MIDAYS PLANE POUCHES VIA OFFICER COURIER AND
STANA. FIRST AIR RAID ALARMS KUYBYCHEV 0200 AND 0815 ON
22ND ATTEMPTED RAID UNCONFIRMED.

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10/11..COMINCH. 24P..26G

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INCOMING MESSAGE

No. 1853       Dated: July 17, 1942, 10 p.m.
From: Stockholm   Rec'd: July 18, 1942, 1 a.m.

Military Attache desires War Department be informed of following which he has obtained from a reliable General Staff source.

1. Authorities in Berlin are not satisfied with the progress of the offensive in theDon Basin according to reliable reports from Berlin.

2. In the course of the past week German communications avoided using names of places to their usual extent and appear to be starting to exaggerate. East of the Don the only German bridgehead is at Voronesh where the Russians are defending strongly and counter-attacking. Further west in the vicinity of Kastornaya the Russians are also counter-attacking strongly. To the southeast the west bank of the Don to the vicinity of Migulinsk is held by the Germans. The furthest advance to eastward appears to reach the Chir River. The claim of capturing Voroshilovgrad is doubted by the Swedes but to the east it appears that one panzer column broke through to the south and is approaching the Stalingrad-Likhaya railway. More to the east another panzer column is attacking in a southeasterly direction toward Morozovskaya. Regarding the German report of an attack from Taganrog toward Rostov, no confirmation at hand. The Germans have captured approximately 60,000 prisoners according to Swedish estimates and this indicates good order in withdrawals. With exception of German mopping-up operations southwest of Rajev the remainder of the front is quiet.

JOHNSON
American Minister

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

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**Naval Message**

**From:** ALUSNA LONDON

**Released By:**

**Date:** 14 JUL 42

**Coderoom:** 023

**Decoded By:** BRINK

**Paraphrased By:** HILL

**Addresses:** OPNAV

**Precedence:** PRIORITY

**Information:** FOR ACTION

**Text:**

KELLY 131512 NOR 2265

Unless otherwise indicated this dispatch will be transmitted with deferred precedence.

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PEARSON TELEGRAMS FROM ARKANGEL "WURMANSK HAS BEEN UNDER HEAVY RAIDS FOR SEVERAL DAYS, TOWN NEARLY BURNT DOWN MOSTLY ALL HAVE EVACUATED. ALL MY FURNITURE AND PAPERS SHIPPED OUT WERE LOST IN FIRE"

**Special:**

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FILE... OKO... COMING... 16... 21-OP.... FILE.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
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FRANKEL ARRIVED ARCHANGEL. OFFICE MURMANSK CLOSED.

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COHIN...10/11...13...19C...OPDO...  
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CORRECT LAST 24 GROUPS MY 101315 AS FOLLOWS:

"HAS NOW OBTAINED A PROMISE FROM MOLотов THAT IN CASE OF ANGLO AMERICAN FORCES ENTERING FRANCE COMMUNISTS WOULD BE TOLD TO LOOK TO DEGAULLE AS THEIR LEADER."

**ACTION:** 16

**COMINCH:** 10/11/2P...NAVAID...2P...FILE...FILE.

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OSD letter, May 7, 1972
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

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A USUALy RELIABLE FREE FRENCH AGENT HERe REPORTS THAT MOSCOW RECENTLY ISSUED ORDERS TO FRENCH COMMUNISTS TO TAKE THEIR ORDERS FROM RUSSIAN LEADERS BUT THAT THE FREE FRENCH REPRESENTATIVE AT KUIBISHE (LINE APPEARS TO BE OMITTED SERVICED BY OPNAV AS 161425) LOTOV THAT IN CASE OF ANGLO AMERICAN FORCES ENTERING FRANCE COMMUNISTS WOULD BE TOLD TO LOOK TO DEGAULLE AS THEIR LEADER.

ACTION: 16......
COMINCH...16/11...2PO..NAVAIDE...2PO...FILE.

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E. O. 11652, Sec. 3(2) and 8(2) or (3)
OSD letter, May 1, 1973
By DTS Date: MAY 21, 1973
RESTABILISHED ARCHANGEL OFFICE. DURING JOURNEY OBSERVED THAT EVERY VILLAGE FROM MURMANSK TO KEM HAD BEEN HEAVILY BOMBED BUT RAILWAY KEPT CONSTANTLY REPAIRED. NEW BELOMORSK-OBZERS-KAYA LINE NOT CAPABLE HEAVY LOADINGS BUT BEING IMPROVED AND IS ENTIRELY SINGLE TRACKED. ONE ARCHANGEL TODAY DURING GERMAN RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHT.

ACTION: 16

COMINCH...10/11...FILE.
AMBASSADOR RETURNED KUIBYSHEV TODAY.
HAVE THIS DATE BEEN ADVISED UNOFFICIALLY BY SENIOR SOVIET NAVAL OFFICER MURMANSK THAT GERMANS MASSING FOR ATTACK THIS AREA INCLUDING LARGE NUMBERS OF TANKS, EXTENSIVE PREPARATIONS PROGRESSING MEET THIS THREAT EVIDENT IN INCREASE OF TROOPS CUNS AND PLANES, GERMAN PLANES CONTINUE BREAK THROUGH LOCAL DEFENSES AND BOMB TOWN PLUS AIRFIELDS, FAIRLY RELIABLE INFORMATION BRITISH PLAN SEND FIGHTER WING THIS AREA.

FRANKEL.

SECRET
I have pointed out the necessity of having American naval officers with their Pacific Fleet commander in event of Orange War. Such officers to provide communication and liaison between our fleet and the Soviet navy is most agreeable to such arrangement being made now. However A8 above is matter of major policy which must be passed upon by highest authority here. Ambassador is not prepared to make specific request until other major questions now pending are settled. Meanwhile I recommend you assemble Pacific Coast or Alaska area Russian speaking personnel adequate perform necessary liaison duties there. Proceed Alaska Air Route when Green Light is given.
IN RESPONSE TO INQUIRY BY STATE AS TO DESIRABILITY
ESTABLISHING CONSULATES MURMANSK AND ARCHANCEL AMBASSADOR HAS
RECOMMENDED THAT SOLE REPRESENTATION GOVERNMENT AGENCIES
TOSE PORTS BE AS RECOMMENDED BY 41212 JUNE. IF DECISION
IS MADE CARRY OUT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL REQUIRE 2
OFFICERS ARCHANCEL AND 5 ADDITIONAL ENLISTED FOR THESE 2
PORTS. MEDICAL SERVICES CAN BE PROVIDED BY BRITISH JUNE
29 FRANKEL ARRIVED BY AIR FOR CONFERENCE RETURNING MURMANSK
ACCOMPANIED BY ROULLARD 3 JULY.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/64
INCOMING MESSAGE

PARAPHRASE

Telegram no. 536  Dated: July 1, 2 p.m.
From: Helsinki  Rec'd: July 1, 2:56 p.m.

The Military Attache asks that the following be passed on to the War Department:

The Military Attache has received information from the French Military Attache today regarding the size of the forces of the German Allies engaged on the Russian front. He says that the Hungarians have 10 divisions, the Romanians 13, and the Italians 8. The Italian force constitutes the 8th Italian Army. It is understood that the Italians have 33 divisions in the Balkans.

The 5th German Air Fleet, made up of about 1,000 planes, is located in northern Finland, while in the Vahtia area there are in addition 400 planes making up an independent air force. About 500 planes located in southern Finland are part of the 1st German Air Fleet, of which the headquarters are located in Tallinn.

The French Military Attache is confident that the Finns do not now plan to take part in any offensive against Russia. The heavy losses of the Finnish Army suffered during the offensive of the Russians on the Swir front are being replaced by Finnish reservists, for the most part from country areas, who were released some time ago.

Ollivier has heard from the Finnish General Staff that their information indicates that American forces abroad include two divisions in England, one in Gibraltar, and two in Australia.

The German Army now totals 300 divisions, according to Ollivier, and of these the Germans are using 240 on the Eastern Front. The German air strength, he says, amounts to a total of 25,000 first and second line combat planes, including transports, and he estimates that the Germans have built about 50,000 planes in the last 3 years.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/74
16 bombing raids with high explosives and incendiaries during the last 2 days has resulted in additional serious damage to city and the sinking of British corvette Gossamer. In as much as the Germans are breaking through the Soviet defenses and bombing quite at will it is merely a question of time until the docks are rendered useless. Half of Murmansk is now uninhabitable and the population is rapidly being evacuated.

It is my opinion that all merchantmen should be diverted to the White Sea and those whose drafts do not permit passage over the bar make use of lighters. This office has again been blasted this date without injury to personnel except temporary loss of muscular control.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
Murmansk and environs twice bombed this date. Yesterday's fires subdued with no damage to docks. Many thousand homeless being evacuated to interior. Germans have dropped leaflets promising complete destruction of Murmansk by 25th. Many food stowages destroyed and evidences panic in local population will probably result in removal of bulk to outlying sections. Soviet telegraph uncertain and will use British system to Moscow. Still believe port tenable but fear that incendiaries dropped on port will wipeout docks. Have made several suggestions regarding latter which were apparently well received.

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10/11.20G.COMINCH.NAVAIDE
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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/54
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: MOSCOW (FRANKEL DUNCAN)

TO: OPNAV

RELEASED BY

DATE: 25 JUNE 1942

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PARAPHRASED BY: JONES

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TEXT

CITY OF MURMANSK SUBJECT TO FIVE BOMBING ATTACKS AND ELEVEN ALERTS THIS DATE. THOUSANDS OF INCENDIARIES PLUS HIGH EXPLOSIVES PLUS FAILURE OF WATER SYSTEM HAS RESULTED IN 35% OF CITY LAYD WASTE. HAS NOT YET BEEN NECESSARY ABANDON OFFICE ALTHOUGH SERIOUSLY MENACED BY SPREADING FIRE. DO NOT BELIEVE FIRE WILL REACH PORT BUT FIVE U.S. SHIPS THERE PREPARED SLIP MOORINGS.

DESIRE AGAIN COMMAND CHIEF YEOMAN MCGINNIS FOR PROMPT ACTION EXTINGUISHING INCENDIARIES AND ASSISTING CIVILIAN POPULATION IN WHICH WORK HE WAS ASSISTED BY LIEUT (JC) GROTTEN RATH (GROUP MISSING) EVS CITY OF JOLIET whose assistance this office is greatly appreciated. REQUEST TRANSMIT OPNAV AND LONDON.

*PASSED TO LONDON BY NCR

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E.O. 11652, Sec. 3(D) and 5(D) or (E)
By: RT, NARA, Date 8/1/44
MESSAGE INTERCEPTED BY SING FROM TOKYO TO BERLIN ASKED FOLLOWING QUESTION: "WHEN WILL YOUR AIR AND NAVAL PREPARATIONS BE COMPLETED?" INFORMANT BELIEVES THIS REFER TO ATTACK ON MURMANSK AND THINKS JAPS WILL INVADE SIBERIA SOON. DETAILED CHECK OF JAP AIRBASES IN BURMA, THAILAND, INDO CHINA. MADE BY SW GROUP SHOW TOTAL ONLY ABOUT 240 PLANES REMAINING THERE. MANY WELL INFORMED CHINESE QUESTIONED RECENTLY ALL AGREE JAP REACTION TO MIDWAY DEFEAT WILL BE ANOTHER OFFENSIVE. THEY CITE 2 REASONS: FIRST THEIR PSYCHOLOGY OFFENSIVE RATHER THAN DEFENSIVE PLUS NEED FOR FACE SAVING. SECOND IMPERATIVE NEED FOR DEFENSE OF HOME LAND CALLS FOR NEUTRALIZATION WITH OUT DELAY OF ALASKA AND SIBERIA. THEY ADD JAP CANNOT AFFORD FOR GERMANY TO LOSE AND MUST COORDINATE ATTACK WITH HER EFFORTS IN WEST. BEST OPINION HERE IS THAT GROUND CONDITIONS IN SOUTHEAST SIBERIA ARE FAVORABLE DURING NEXT 2 MONTHS. ATTACK NORTHWARD IS PURELY MILITARY OPERATION FOR WHICH CREAM OF ARMY HAS BEEN ASSEMBLED. 
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LONG BEEN RESERVED AND NOT DEPENDENT UPON NAVAL SUPPORT OTHER THAN FOR ASSISTANCE TO EFFORT TO CUT OUR ROUTE ACROSS ALASKA.

ACTION: 16

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(ACTION OPNAV INFO MOSCOW)

SOVIETS HAVE RECOVERED 15² DUD INCENDIARY BOMBS DROPPED
IN RAID ON 14TH AND ESTIMATE THAT 5² WERE RELEASED.
DATE ON BOMBS AND RECOVERED TAIL SURFACES SIGHTED BY
WE INDICATE MANUFACTURED IN 1938.

16...ACTION
10/11...28G...COMM...PA...290P...BUORD...FILE.

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17113₀
300 Russia
HEAVY AIR ATTACKS 13 AND 14 JUNE RESULTED IN LITTLE DAMAGE TO PORT AND SHIPS BUT HEAVY DAMAGE TO CITY INCLUDING FIRES SET BY INCENDIARY BOMBS ATTACKS OFFICE RECEPTION SLIGHT DAMAGE NO INJURY TO PERSONNEL OR DAMAGE TO NAVAL PROPERTY. HIGHLY COMMEND CHIEF YEOMAN MCGINNIS FOR RENDERING FIRST AID TO WOUNDED THIS IN SPITE OF GRAVE PERSONAL DANGER FROM BOMB SPLINTERS AND FALLING Srapnel. YOREKLERS BEING EVACUATED FROM LOCAL HOSPITALS AND EXTENSIVE PREPARATIONS BEING MADE FOR HEAVY BOMBARDMENT BUT CONSIDER PORTS TENABLE.
PLEASE PASS TO HARRIMAN.

NORTH RUSSIAN SITUATION.

SAIL BAKER NEGAT OPTION NORTH RUSSIA IN SIGNALS TO ADMIRALTY REPORTS THAT ON JUNE 1 ABOUT 87 FIGHTERS AND BOMBERS ATTACKED MURMANSK IN FOUR RAIDS. 8 ENEMY PLANES SHOT DOWN. RUSSIANS LOST SAME NUMBER OF ARMY FIGHTERS.

TROMSO AERODROME BOMBED BY COASTAL RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT.

ON JUNE 2ND 72 BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS ATTACKED MURMANSK IN TWO RAIDS DROPPING 69 BOMBS. RUSSIANS CLAIM 9 BOMBERS AND 3 FIGHTERS, 3 SOVIET HURRICANES LOST.

STEEL WORKER SANK IN DEEP WATER ON JUNE 3RD AFTER

(SHEET 1 OF 2)
EXPLOSION APPARENTLY CAUSED BY MINE. NO CARGO DISCHARGED EXCEPT EXPLOSIVES.

NO AIR RAIDS ON MURMANSK JUNE 3RD.
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No. 441
Dated: May 25, 3 p.m.

From: Kuibyshev

On May 24 Page and Michela flew to Penza for the purpose of visiting the bomber crew.

Certain information requested by the War Department has been transmitted to that Department by Michela in his telegram 87 of May 24. At the time of landing at a naval air base approximately 40 miles from Vladivostok the bomber crew had enough gasoline for only 150 miles. The bomber was not fired upon while passing over Soviet territory nor did any of the crew notice AA defense in the Vladivostok region. The bomber was intercepted by one Soviet fighter but that plane merely followed the bomber until it landed at the naval air base. At the base members of the crew observed 20 large sea-planes of a type similar to the American PBY.

Members of the crew were not permitted to report in anyway to the American Consul General at Vladivostok; however, all crew members were treated courteously and accorded considerate treatment during their stay in the Soviet Far East and while on their way to Penza. The trip from Vladivostok to Penza was made in a private car arriving at Penza on May 19, after numerous delays. While stopping in Kuibyshev the crew members were denied permission to communicate with the American Embassy in that city. At this time the crew members are lodged in a large clean bungalow in a village approximately 10 miles outside of Penza. The bungalow is surrounded by lawns and gardens and adjoining a second house which contains the dining and recreation rooms and also houses three Soviet companions, one of whom is an interpreter. For recreation the Americans have been provided with books, billiards, athletic facilities and other distractions. All in all the Soviet authorities have been extremely considerate in providing for the crew. The food which the men receive is superior to that obtainable by the diplomatic corps at Kuibyshev and the men are allowed the same freedom of movement permitted to chiefs of mission at Kuibyshev. All men seem to be in excellent mental and physical condition. It is stated that their only complaint is that they are urged to eat and drink too much. There has been no illness among the crew. Inasmuch as it has been

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reported that there is some malaria in the Penza region the Embassy will attempt to keep the men supplied with quinine. At all times there is a Soviet doctor available. The only immediate needs of the men, is for American cigarettes, toilet articles and reading matter, all of which the Embassy has endeavored to supply. All necessary steps in connection with pay allotments, messages to relatives and other personal matters are being taken care of by Michels.

**PARAPHRASE**

**STANDLEY**

Note: No. 87 (CM-IN-8972, 5/25/42) G-2. Information on bomber crew in Russia.

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GENERAL MCFARLAND DETACHED; WILES NOW HEADS BRITISH JOINT MILITARY NAVAL MISSION. THOMPSON REPORTED KUZY SHEV 10TH VIA PLANE FROM TEHERAN. ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL PROCEEDING DUTY USSR BRING BLANKETS, SHEETS, TOWELS, TOILET ARTICLES AND AMPLE SUPPLY CLOTHING. NO CONSUMERS GOODS ANY TYPE AVAILABLE PURCHASE HERE.

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From: Madrid
To: MILID

No. 301 October 27, 1942

According to same source as our report 7740 Germans
have decided to assume defensive on whole Russian front
and send Rommel all troops material requested and shift im-
portant reinforcements to Western Europe. Same source
states Spanish War Department now convinced that Axis
cannot win.

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361 Russian
From: Moscow
To: Milid

No. 102 Oct 27 1942

Boswell to Archangel accompanying 11 boxes captured German radio equipment addressed to Chief of MIB Soviet liaison officer stated today his estimation weather permits fighting for only one more month vicinity Stalingrad.

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Oct 24 1942
1630Z

From: Moscow
To: Millid
No. 100 Oct 22 1942

Major Neigrin, New Swedish Military Attache just arrived Kuibyshev via Berlin Belgrade Istanbul states Belgrade heavily damaged by bombing, all Fiume unmanageable Croaatis 3 to 6 hours late none moving at night due to Brailovitch's activities, Gestapo confiscated his uniform. Recent arrival June 30th citizen from Elista confirms that town in German hands. Rumors still persist Timoshenko out. Rumor that Rumlinin directing S F Stalingrad. Engancheh chief Politico in Caucasus. Newly arrived Assistant Naval Attache saw troop train near Alexandrov bearing troops from Stalingrad in very poor equipment and clothing but with superlative morale and health.

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Oct 17th
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From: London
To: Milid

No 3595 October 17th, 1942

Information war office date shows no substantial change situation Finnish, Northern or Central Sectors Russia.

Germans making progress with renewed strong attack Northern part Stalingrad.

Enemy advance Moxdok area still held but in Tupaee Sector making progress against determined Russ resistance.

Signed Hughes

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From: Stockholm
To: Mildred

No 38 October 17th, 1942

British Military Attache reports project attack Leningrad definitely off 2000 invasion barges stored Tallinn. Germans extensively stocked Finland with stores no fresh troops only draft for existing divisions and snow clearing units for air bases aim that all fields North Norway Finland shall continue fully operative throughout winter. Reference your No 92 parachutists being trained Italy 2 German armored divisions now in Sicily probably will be used against Malta.

Neff

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CM-IN-07294 (10/17/42) 17472 ce
To: Milid

No. 3587 October 16, 1942.

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On Russian front n thing to report north of Stalingrad. At Stalingrad Germs apparently thrown everything into attempt quick capture. South of Stalingrad Germs not believed making progress they claim and these claims believed purpose of diverting public attention from lack complete success Stalingrad. Now freezing in Finland and northern and southern sectors Russia deep in mud.

Hughes

MIS Journal No. 162, Oct 16, 1942.

Original filed MR 300 North Africa.

This excerpt for file in MR 300 Russia.

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From: Embassy London
To: MILID

No: 3577 October 15, 1942

In Russia Germans have moved some heavy artillery to Leningrad front but believe now too late for sustained attack there. No information Stalingrad other than in Freys. Now snowing in Caucasus which may eliminate German activity there but enemy has made some progress against both Grozni and Tuapse.

Original Army despatch filed "300 North Africa."

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From: London
To: MILID
No 3536 October 6, 1942

Latest Brit information shows that fighting on the Russian front at Lenigrad, Rzhev and Voronezh are active but without definite results to either side.

That at Stalingrad the Soviet counter attacks against German flanks are killing lots of enemy and slowing down capture of city but cannot prevent ultimate occupation Stalingrad. However city's capture will still be slow process and only street by street until end.

That Germans still hold twenty five miles from Tuapse but have made some gains in Novodok area but no nearer Grozni and have not made any further progress thru Caucasus mountain passes.

Brit present opinion that when Stalingrad captured Germans will immediately seek stabilize entire front for winter instead waiting late as last year. Also opinion this stabilization will be followed by increase German divisions France and Low Countries for purpose giving exhausted German divisions new Russ front benefit climate and chance rehabilitate by spring also reorganize on basis lessons learned present campaign.
From: Moscow
To: WAR

#83, October 3, 1942

Cite my seventy-nine Stalin has not seen me yet and no developments on ferry route except Harveys stay nearly two weeks; "Account bad weather" is it really weather? Suggest our Meteorologists investigate and transmit their findings to me.

Soviets are annoyed and suspicious on Peter Thirty-Nine deal where by they were allotted "Stalin obsolete Peter Forties" and Britain Peter Thirty-Nine which is Soviets favorite fighter. True Britain furnishes some Peter Thirty-Nines to Russia but Soviets resent deal first psychologically because Britain was favored and second practically because Britain was given control and recently exercised control over China of one hundred fifty-four Air Cobras from Soviet allotments. Soviets also bitter about US failure make promised Lend Lease delivery of Aug and Sept on which they had planned. Fact that Soviets not US fell down on Alaska Siberia ferry as no bearing on other matters according to Soviet thinking. Except as Soviet attitude to all Americans, except prominent visitors, reflects our fulfillment of promises these matters not my responsibility but I recommend first replacement of Peter Forties with Thirty-Nines to maximum possible extent second sending all Soviet Thirty-Nines direct to Russia not through British third exertion greatest effort fulfill protocol commitments.

British starting weekly air service Oct twelve one liberator Prewittick to Moscow nonstop via Stockholm twenty thousand feet night. Speeds don't know this.
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To: War

No. 83. October 3, 1942

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 3508, Sept 30, 1942

No confirmed information here today on actual situation Stalingrad. Reported here Molotov told Willkie Soviet would hold both Stalingrad and Caucasus. War Office opinion that regardless ultimate fate Stalingrad Germ losses so heavy and plans so delayed by defense city and this combined with present signs of early break in weather may make impossible for Germ to regroup for another offensive before winter and make necessary merely re-

remaining present positions.

Every indication Germ planning large scale offensive on Leningrad but this probably dependent on success Stalingrad and especially on ability move Air Force Stalingrad to Leningrad. Air Ministry queried on this may weather will determine decision for all out attack Leningrad and furthermore believe already too late for necessary air effort as two to four weeks needed move Air from Stalingrad and get in order.

War and Air agree Germ have already failed in primary task defeating Soviet Army during nineteen fortytwo.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/28/94
From: Moscow
To: Milid
No. 90, September 29, 1942.

Preparations now under way gradually move American Embassy permanently back Moscow entire diplomatic corps scheduled to follow in 2 months.

Received unconfirmed report Germans are moving troops and material up to Western Sector for attack on Moscow if and when Stalingrad falls.

Michels
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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: London
To: MILID

Number 3493, September 28, 1942

From Russia reported that local German attacks
Northern and Central Sectors becoming more
successful.

Russ now possession half town of Rzhev but their
losses heavy.

Russ continues strong counter attacks against
German Northern flank Stalingrad otherwise situation
unchanged.

In Caucasus Germans have increased efforts to
overcome Russ resistance and have made progress
several points.

Hughes

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
FROM: Ankara  
TO: Milid  
No. 270, September 28, 1942

Reliable reports Roumanian source states that Axis will make all out effort in Caucasus this fall, with a third group of Army to be formed at Rostov including the 3rd and 4th Roumanian Armies and 1 German Army probably all under command of Antonesco with General Schleffercru authentic. Same source state Von List groupings include 1st 4th 11th and 17th Armies.

Jadwin

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To: Milid

No. 86 September 26, 1942

Accompanied Willkie on visit to Rzhev front. Only corduroid roads passable to wheel motor transports west of Staritsa except for American jeeps which performed superbly everywhere. Army commanders stated 5500 Soviet troops now against Rzhev city saw 17 probably selected German prisoners; few about 33 years old majority 18. Due to nature of visit nothing new of military value was shown or seen press reports from here to contrary written report follows.

Michela

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From: London  
To:  Milid  

No. 3482, September 26, 1942  

Reported from Russia that while Soviet maintain initiative Northern and Central Sectors Germans are making local attacks several points those sectors.

Stalingrad situation unchanged with Russ continuing strong counter attacks both north and south of town.

Enemy has made small but further gains southwest of Moshok but Russ offering strong resistance.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/23/74
An interesting comment on the situation at Stalingrad reported by Swiss from military circles at Berlin is to the effect that German troops find their progress in the city greatly hampered and slowed down as a result of the destruction previously inflicted by German dive bombers and heavy artillery. It is asserted that the Russian defenders have been able to constitute in the ruins defensive works far more effective than those which normally can be installed in an undestroyed city with open streets and courts. Thus the military operations intended to make the fall of the city easy for and less costly on ground troops has allegedly had contrary effect and made it necessary to call a 2nd time on dive bombers and artillery to blast roads through fortified ruins for infantry and armored troops. While this story may be put out to explain delay in expected fall of city it does involve a confession of a possibly serious mistake in tactics in connection with a most important military operation.
MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

German advance southeast of KHARKOV.

ACTION

1. Germans claim local encirclement on the VOLVOV FRONT.
2. Russians claim local successes in the BRYANSK Sector.
3. KUPYANSK (rail junction 60 miles S.E. of KHARKOV) captured by Germans.
4. Germans claim the capture of new fortified heights east of SEVASTOPOL. (See Insert)

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From: Ankara

To: Milid

No. 266 September 22, 1942

Informed by Turkish General Staff Russians moving many troops from frontier to Caucasus. Also Bulgarians couriers just arrived from Russia reports seeing Cav Divisions moving North into Caucasus. Turkish General Staffs confirms reports my 265 reference mutiny of Third Corps troops mile across Africa and reports 16th Italians Divisions and regiment Infantry in Greece awaiting transportation to Africa also 30 to 50 transports in vicinity Piraeus.

Jadwea

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CM-IN-9925 (9/23/42) 1124Z
From: Moscow
To: War

No. 69 Sept 21, 1942

Please one five three last sentence: G dash two information cables excellent though frequently garbled badly. Would appreciate statements on significance of enemy and our operations and estimates our own as well as enemy losses. OPD Streett. My request Harvey inspect in detail entire facilities air ports Siberian route flatly refused by Soviets. At least six transports carrying approximately ninety members Ferry Crews to Alaska delayed Yakutsk "due to weather" Harvey claims he passed them in Yakutsk on August twenty eight and should be questioned on this as there is evidently something fishy in the delay. The Chief of the Red Air Force acknowledges with gratitude General Arnold's condolences RE A dash twenty accident Basra. Please one fifty six last sentence reference D and J not understood. Spent two days with Wilkie, Kubyshev, returned here twentieth. Soviets making heavy play Wilkie's support. However foreign office and military have batted back and forth. Request his flight through China and Siberia each office disclaiming jurisdiction and no answer given yet. Visited interned crew at Chansk thirty miles SW Molotov formerly named Perm. They are well taken care of and in good health and spirits except bored and want action. They request families be notified and desire information concerning casualties Doolittle flight particularly status Jones, Crouch, Hilger. Embassy says

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To: War

No. 69 Sept 21, 1942

G dash two and State Dept mail rooms work in close cooperation. Request every opportunity be taken to send mail including that for my mission via Teheran as there is occasional chance to pick it up there.

Bradley

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 3447 Sept 21, 1942

Information from Russia dated twentieth says
Russ continue attacks various points on Northern
and Central Sectors and south of Voronezh but no
good information on results.

Germ have penetrated still further into city of
Stalingrad proper and well in center. Russians
Stubbornly resisting especially in northwest suburbs.
Outside town Russ are launching continuous counter
attacks from the North against German flanks.

In Caucasus no substantial changes.

Grain

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300 Russia
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From: London
To: Milid
No. 3441 September 20, 1942

Information reaching War Office last night but date origin not shown says renewed Russ attacks against Germ positions Voronezh have had some success.

Also that Germs have resumed advance along Northern bank river Terek east of Mordok.

No first hand news situation Stalin Grad.

In passes thru Western Caucasus range Russ are strongly counter attacking.

Russ attacks continue locally south of Lake Ladoga and on larger scale in Rezhev Area.

Crain

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From: Embassy London
To: MILID
Number 3429, September 18, 1942

War Office consider that while German may be in suburban district Stalingrad Russian resistance so determined struggle for control city may continue indefinite time and Germans present rate losses extremely severe.

Reliable report snow falling on highest points passes thru Caucasus also that German making no progress toward Tuapse.

Unconfirmed information that Russian successfully holding German advance toward Grozni at Terek River.

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Sept. 11, 1942
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From: Moscow
To: MILID

No. 71, September 11, 1942.

Cite your cable no. 70 1st Panzer army under Kleist now at Mozdok 2d under Guderian at Orel 3d under Heithaatenk at Smolensk 4th under Orpaulus at Stalingrad 5th under Rommel in Egypt from Soviet and British sources. Soviets state Germans now have 25 tank divisions and numbered accordingly British state state reliably reported at least some higher numbered 25 divisions are infantry divisions converted last winter do not believe mountains divisions have been armored or motorized repeated to London.

Michela.

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No. 3381, Sept. 10, 1942

Brit Naval Observer Black Sea reports fifth that Russ situation and resistance to Germ advance thru Caucasus Mountain passes had improved but advance enemy troops were twenty five miles from Sukhum on Black Seas Coast on fifth.

Germ now using thirty Divisions and heavy and continuous air attack against Stalingrad.

Archangel bombed twice week ending eighth.

Air Ministry says heaviest Air Force concentration in Russia this year has been fifteen hundred against twenty five hundred last years campaign. Also say definite indications Germs short fighters in Russia.

Russians have recently moved one hundred twenty train loads oil from Baku across Caspian.

McClure
From London
To Milid

No 3375 Sept 9, 1942

War office information today shows that the Soviet attacks in Northern and Central sectors Russian front have abated somewhat.

No information other than respective communiques on Stalingrad situation but appears Germans have reinforced and increased violence their attack from West of city.

Reported that Rass have established and slightly extended a bridgehead on south bank Don northwest of Kletskaya.

McClure

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From: London
To: Milid

No. 3370 Sept 8 1942

War Office information shows that Axis Forces on Northwest, West and Southwest of Stalingrad have now joined forming solid front averaging about eight miles from City Proper and while situation extremely grave Russ continue determined opposition which may delay capture for considerable time and every day gained now will add to difficulty of further German offensives this year.

Russ situation in passes thru Caucasus Mountains has improved.

Germ have made no further advance toward Tusapei and while there is no confirmation fall of NovorosSing is probably true.

Russ holding Germ attempts to enlarge their bridgehead on Terek River near Mozdok.

Germ are approaching Astrakhan from both Southwest and Northwest.

McClure

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To: Milid

#3356 September 5, 1942

Russian news received by War Office dated fourth says Germans gained further ground on southwest of Stalingrad. Have established bridgehead on south bank river Terek east of Mook and evidently intend push advance on Grouni. Have made little fresh progress toward Black Sea.

War Office opinion that if and when Stalingrad captured German Forces engaged there will then turn north against Russian south flank.

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From: Embassy London
To: Milid Washn DC

No. 3348, September 4th, 1942

Brit report from Russia that Archangel had another air attack lasting two hours but date not given. Principal damage fire.

Also that Germs had made no further advance on Stalingrad from southwest but again date not given. Report said Russ resistance Stalingrad firm as ever. Also that Germs had forced Bridgehead over River Terek direction Grozni but had been unable exploit it. Also that Germs closing in on Novorossinsk.

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From: Ankara
To: Milid
No. 250, September 2, 1942

Ziminsky unable to give any information for AFABI reference your 172 due to security precaution. He left Vladivostok last June. States considerable movement of troops and materiel West before June, but practically none at that time or since. In far East Russians have constructed tunnel under principal rivers to replace bridges if destroyed. Saw many oil barges destroyed on Volga River. Much antisaircraft defenses around sta Far Eastern Armies commanded by Voroshiloff. Many barrage balloons around Vladivostok.

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From: Teheran
To: Milid
No. 123, September 1, 1942

From travelers returning from Russia Ph-Kabard-Tashkent railroad militarized great activity along road concrete gun emplacements under construction airdromes along road at one hundred kilometer intervals under construction as are sideings or passing loops at twenty kilometer intervals estimated fifteen oil trains moving eastward daily.

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From: AmEmbassy London
To: MILID
No. 3331, September 1, 1942.

Following nomination of Molotov as First Vice President of Peoples Commissars, Litvinov will be recalled very soon to resume his post as Foreign minister. This action shows crystallization of Allied sentiment.

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From: London
To: MILID

No. 3313, August 30, 1942

Russian news received War office last night shows Soviet attacks Northern and Central Sectors continue but no information as to degree of success.

Indicated Russ have established footing South Bank Don south of Voronezh.

Germ still making progress toward Stalingrad from both northwest and west but Russ resistance stronger. No word on attack from southwest.

In Caucasus Germ advance east thru Kliista toward Astrakhan and along river Terek toward Grozni continue but no information on what resistance being encountered or points reached by Germ.

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From: Am Embassy London
To: Milid
No. 3299 Aug 28, 1942

Substance Russ information reaching war officer

date follows: Russ continue attacks in Central Sector especially

Russ area but still no confirmation Russ claims to deep

advance wide front to which we referred yesterday's cable.

In middle Don sector enemy have extended east their

bridgehead northwest of Stalingrad and may have established

another bridgehead further south. Russ continue resist

strongly but Pincers continue closing on city.

In Caucasus Germans continue east along rivers Kuma and

Terak. In mountains proper Germ Mountain Troops moving up

Kuban River have advanced beyond Klukhor Pass.

In West Coastal Area enemy within three miles Novorossisk.

Brit Naval Officer just returned from North Russia says

all wooden buildings Murmansk have been burned by air raids

and many brick buildings also destroyed but that port and

shipping facilities still good operating condition but that

great amount supplies and equipment received still stacked up

waiting movement south. Same officer was Archangel when first

enemy air raid made and says resulted many fires and that Russ

antiaircraft defence very poor.

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To: Milid

No. 3291 Aug 26, 1942

War Office information this afternoon that Germans are ten miles from Stalingrad on Northwest and within twenty miles from south. Are within fifteen miles Novorossisk and in southeast within seventy miles of Caspian Sea.

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From: London
To: MILID
No 3279 August 25, 1942

Information shows Germs have all set for Murmansk attack but nothing indicates imminent.

Leningrad south to Voronezh Russ still make local attacks aimed only holding.

Voronezh apparently stalemate.

Status Stalingrad considered here critical but not repeat not yet desperate though enemy has gained ground both from northwest and southwest and less than twenty five miles from town in latter direction.

On both east and west ends Caucasus enemy advancing steadily. In direction Tauspe and Novorossisk Russ offer considerable resistance but in direction Grozni comparatively little so far. Germ advance thru Elista also meeting little resistance.

Brit feel enemy soon reach both Caspian and Black Sea coasts without meeting determined resistance but further advance south along respective coasts or thru mountains will meet effective opposition.

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From: Chungking
To: Milid
No. 338, August 25th, 1942.

Chinese G-2 report despatches stating "SATO", Ambassador Moscow, proposed following terms Russia: (A) Lease aerial and naval bases Vladivostok, Maritime Province, Siberia and Sakhalin to Japan; (B) Guarantee United Nations not to use far eastern section Russia; (C) Lease material support to China. 20th independent mixed brigade will be reorganized into 70th division. "TAKET" Air group which has been active Sakhalin Chinese identified as 62nd group. Main forces 41st division left Wenchow prior to August 15th for unknown destination.

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M. I. 8, JOURNAL NO. 159 AUG 25 1942
From: London
To: Milid
No. 3258 August 22, 1942

British here lack verified information on Stalingrad situation but believe Germans did force bridgehead over Don due west Stalingrad but may have lost later. Either case Brit consider this attack from west as most serious menace.

Little information received shows that Russ attacks various points Leningrad to south of Moscow continue but any success of only local value.

In eastern Caucasus Germ advance southeastward has probably reached middle Kuma River.

For Mis control: Soviet spokesman told Brit Moscow twenty first Germ renewing pressure on Japs to attack Russ attack Russ and Jap ambassador Germany spent August first to tenth Hitlers headquarters. That Jap government and Navy oppose early attack but Army strongly in favor. That if Japs attacked would be against Vladivostok and area to north and also in Siberian area.

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From: London
To: MILID
No. 3244, Aug 20, 1942

Enemy now in possession greater part northeast corner river bend in middle Don Sector although Russi still have bridgeheads there and continue resist strongly. West of Stalingrad believed Germs have succeeded crossing river.

In Caucasus enemy advance toward lower Kuma River continues Germs also make further progress in thrusts up Kuban River and its tributaries into Caucasus mountain range.

Soviet announce loss Krasnodar but claim was evacuated only after inflicting heavy losses on enemy. Also claim still fighting at Pwtagorsk also southeast of Kletskaya and northeast of Koteinikovsk.

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CORRECTIONS OF ORIGINAL MESSAGE

From: Cairo
to: AGWAR

No. Ammee 817, August 19th, 1942.

Page one Par two Line six insert the following text: "Nations paragraph three supply routes were reviewed. In the north, Arkangel has been improved. The situation at Murmansk has eased. All damage to Port is being repaired and soon will be completed. He does not consider the air menace to be feared. A strong Anti Aircraft defense is available to keep planes from docks. He points out that there has been no interruption to receipt of supplies, only three of arrivals having been damaged. Damage to town by incondiary bombs will be difficult to avoid but labor will be adequately housed in small scattered homes." end of correction.

Maxwell

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From: Cairo
To: Agwar

No. Amsne 817, August 19, 1942

Paragraph one in Moscow, at a second meeting at
which Harriman was present, Mikoyan again expressed the
great need of the USSR for trucks, jeeps included,
and requested that everything possible be done to
supply them in large quantities. In priority he put
them just after airplanes and tanks. Guns and powder
and certain chemicals are very important. Foodstuffs
are of secondary importance comparatively. A special
plea was made for increased quantities of aluminum.
Of all metals and raw materials, this, including
duraluminum, is most important. He urgently request-
et that at the least, deficits under the first protocol
be made up and that sinkings amounting to six thousand
tree hundred tons be replaced. Shortage of aluminum
and nickel due to the evaporation of certain plants
is causing the greatest production difficulties. He
made no special plea for nickel only because he under-
stood that it was absolutely beyond the power of the
United States to do anything further.

The lack of spare parts is most serious and
measures being taken are inadequate. A large number
of United States aircraft are grounded for this reason.
Due to the more intensive use of planes by the Soviets,
he believes their need for spares is greater than
that of the other United *(Part of Message undecipher-
able. Being Serviced) Which have been constructed in
the woods. Arkangel is better provided with icebreakers

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To: Agwar

No. Amame 817, August 19, 1942

and more can be brought in than last winter. In brief, he believes that more than protocol requirements can be met and with the better seasonal conditions and protection measures possible security of convoys will be improved. Possibilities in the South are important but promises of improvements have not been seriously treated, according to him.

It is my firm impression that the Soviet government and army are determined to resist the Nazi advance to the limit and have not the slightest intention of faltering. Even if driven back to the Caspian the Caucasus presents a formidable obstacle and it is my belief that sufficient strength will be retained there to make any Nazi advance South a difficult and time-consuming venture. There are however, limits to human endurance. There is supposed to be a tendency in the Russian character to become fatalistic and accept the inevitable when pressed beyond a certain point. It is the impression of certain observers that with some of the Soviet people, and due to the tremendous sacrifices of flesh and blood, the great shortages of material, that they are being pushed to desperation and that the breaking point may not be far off. This is hard to evaluate but beyond any question it is vital that extreme measures be taken to assist them in a realistic way. It may not be possible to initiate a military operation that will create a serious diversion. From Spalding to Burns, it may not be possible to give them direct military assistance, beyond a limited air support difficult to initiate and maintain, but the following should at least be done: A no slackening in the attempt to force
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From: Cairo  Page III
To: Agwar

No. Ams-817, August 19, 1942

Full supply from the North B the highest priority
given by both United States and United Kingdom to
development of supply route from the north including
personnel, organization, equipment and use of route.
Such priority has not been given in the past C the
increased supply of certain priority material,
even to the point where it hurts, to include air-
planes, tanks, aluminum, nickel, rubber, and trucks.

Maxwell agrees with all of foregoing as a re-
sult of his visit to Moscow and participation in
military conferences.

A definite program for the improvement of the
Persian Gulf route is now being developed in Cairo.
I expect to leave for United States in a few days,
making short visit in Erirera enroute.

Maxwell

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From: London
To: Moscow

No. 3236, August 19, 1942

Only fresh Brit information Russia is that Germ forces in Caucasus now advancing Southeastward toward middle and lower Kuma Rivers and at one point less than fifty miles from river.

Unconfirmed report Germs have occupied Ordzhonikidze about fifty miles southwest Grozni and north end Georgian Highway to Tiflis.

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From: London
To: MILID
No. 3227, Aug 18, 1942

Brit Official information is that Germans continue meet
strong resistance in approach to Stalingrad from southwest
and have made further progress in advance up Kuban River.

War office Intelligence expressed today following opinions
on probable developments Russia: is nothing to indicate
immediate combined operation against Murmansk but such operation
must be expected and logically will take place before November
when Archangel will freeze up when if successful would mean
both Russians northern ports would be denied to supplies and
possible that Caspian Sea supply route will also by then be
denied to Russians.

Now unlikely any Russ left west of Don including elbow
west of Stalingrad thus exposing Stalingrad new attack from
that direction.

That in northwest Caucasus Germs will press operations
against Novorossisk and Tuapse.

That little Russ resistance may be expected against
Germ advances toward Astrakan and Grozni until Germ approach
those two cities when strong resistance may be expected.

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 3214, August 16, 1942

War office information today on Russia is that heavy fighting continues in Central Sector. The German advance on Stalingrad from southwest is being held but eastward thrust between rivers Sal and Manich is making progress and that German forces are advancing up river Kuban into the Caucasus.

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CN-IN-6017 (8/16/42) 2251 Z
From: London
To: Mildred
No. 3201 August 13, 1942

Today's war office news from Russia is:
Russ continued launch small scale attacks against
Germ positions various points Leningrad south to
Voronezh. Germ making little progress in efforts
reach Leningrad. Germ advance into Caucasus meeting
increased resistance and somewhat slowed down.

Following items for WID control account
prepared for personal use high level: south of
Voronezh and including attack on Stalingrad and
into Caucasus composition main German armies believed
as follows: army group A repeat Afim directed
against the Caucasus and attacking Stalingrad from
south of Don has eight Panzer divisions eight
motorised or light two mountain one cavalry and
twenty infantry plus four Wop and six Roumanian
infantry divisions.

Army group B repeat Baker which includes
sixth army consists of twenty-six Germ divisions
all types and sexen Hungarian. Sixth army is
directed against Stalingrad from west across Don
river. Balance group B repeat Baker is holding
Germ left flank along Don south of Voronezh.

Immediate Germ objective is capture Stalingrad.
If and when this attained next main objective will
be Astrakan in order establish the line upper Don
dash lower Volga which would effectively cut off
Caucasus, from all land communication with the north.
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After capture of Astrakan, Germans will probably advance on Baku along Caspian coast and this operation likely be combined with mopping up and consolidation north Caucasus including Black Sea ports especially Novorossisk.

Whether Germans will attempt advance thru Caucasus toward Persian frontier during winter depends on: first, degree exhaustion Germ forces. Second, Resistance by Russ. Third, Eventual decision whether to hold Don dash Volga line or initiate new major thrust against Russ left flank northward from Stalingrad dash Astrakan line.

Complete lack reliable information on Russ strength in Caucasus mountains south of present Germ advance and available to oppose further Germ advance thru and beyond mountains but rough guess is twenty divisions of unknown type and equipment now in mountains and probably equivalent twenty more withdrawn from north of mountains and present fighting making total forty.

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From: Embassy London
To: Milid Washn DC
No. 3188 August 12, 1942

Soviet attacks Rzhev area continue but no indication whether or not successful.

In Caucasus area Germ capture Maikop, Krasnodar, Pyatigorsk and Yeisk confirmed.

No further news progress Germ advance from Pyatigorsk but considered that advance forces still moving direction Grozni and apparently with little opposition. In absence any definite information to contrary considered here that all present Russian opposition in Caucasus area confined to rear guards and information on Russ strength in Caucasus mountain area proper also zero.

Any official information on real situation Stalingrad area also lacking but all evidence press and communiques shows Germ have initiative and making some progress.

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From: Tehran
To: Milid
No. 103, August 11, 1942

Soviets here applying great stress on route East of Caspian. Responsible Soviet officials at every meeting since August first plead with me for assistance in furthering movement supplies northward. First diversion truck column East of Caspian. Medium tanks leaving Bandarshah on August third were reported to me as in battle on August eighth. Last week conversations with Soviets indicates Russian military situation much more serious than is known generally.

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No. 3180 Aug 11 1942

Information here on Russ shows Soviet continue attacks

Exp Nov Area.

That Germ claim to have encircled Russ forces west

of Kalach probably true but Germ advance toward Stalingrad

from South Don meeting strong resistance. In Caucasus Sector

germ advance continues and probable Maikop and Krasnodar both

now German hands.

Also considered likely German claim to have reached

Pestigorsk on Road to Gronzi, at least with leading elements,

is correct.

Comment: lack of usual Germ claims to capture prisoners

and equipment may indicate either that Russians have been very

successful in withdrawing to area Caucasus Mountains or that

Germans are holding these usual claims for a big announcement

later on. Hoped here that former alternative may prove be the
case.

Of interest to note that war office and jic estimated on

July twenty fifth when Germs crossed Don going south that Germs

should reach Maikop on August eighth.
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Should be noted that by reaching Pyatigorsk German Air Units and also have knocked out Bain Airdrome North Caucasus at Minfralnie Vodi. Also that principal highway from North Caucasus to Tiflis starts at Mordok and runs thru Ordzhonikidze both on railways running to Caspian Sea and Baku.

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From London
To Milid

No 3174 Aug. 10, 1942

Brit information on Russ this AM shows in Rzhev area Russ continue attack heavily and have met some success. Have also resumed attacks Northwest of Voronezh where quiet since end July.

West of Kalach in Don bend Germs have renewed attacks and making progress toward river. However Germ forces advancing toward Stalingrad from south of Don are meeting increased Russ resistance.

Germ advance into Caucasus continues to progress south also toward eastern shore sea Axof.

Comment: Germ last night claimed capture Maikop and Krasnodar but this not repeat not confirmed here and Russ claimed about same time their troops then falling back toward Maikop. If Germ claim true looks like complete Russ withdrawal from area northwest of Caucasus mountains. Such withdrawal would involve loss Novorossisk and Tuapse only Russ Black Sea ports except Batum.

Production high grade oil Maikop Fields estimated two million three hundred thousand tons annually which was refined Krasnodar and Tuapse. Above amount oil about eight percent Russ total production and about seven percent Russ estimated reserves.

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From: Moscow
To: MILID

No. 4, August 9, 1942

Experience. Part two of my no. three. Stoops will be Fairbanks, Nome, Velm, Als, Emchel, Yakutset DC dash three has started for Nome and Fairbanks and will arrive about the same time as the B dash twenty five for survey party for which eight members have now been authorized P. Kraigher and Paige maybe personally unacceptable to Soviet Govt but Standle will go to mat if necessary. Anady Rhab no landing field but is radio control. Details later. It will probably be necessary station American radio operators there. Think permission forthcoming. I must emphasize Comm difficulties as Russian operators air and ground use Roman alphabet only for Q repeat Q signals except selected few can use entire Roman alphabet. Operator on Soviet B Twenty five is one Harvey should enlist his services insure transmission messages to and from me in cipher two zero five an operator has authority use Siberian ground stations for this purpose P joint cipher two zero four not yet approved by Soviets. No cipher devices CSP eight four five included in package FOA When one to copy?

Bradley

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From: Moscow
To: Milid
No. 3, August 9, 1942

Please expedite answer my number one recommend-
ing forty three transports for Soviet Ferry and radio com-
passes for transports, B dash twenty fives, A dash twenties.
This is not part one means Nr three two. For Streett also are
highly desirable for fighters as emergency fields do not
exist and Legs are from five to eight hundred miles. Will
transports have safe ferry range thirteen hundred miles?
If not operations cannot begin until Velkal ready about
Sept first. Soviets warmer now ardently desire establish
Siberia Ferry Route. I have recommended Soviet Mission at
Fairbanks with specialists in operation radio engineering.
They appreciate offer and are preparing detailed list.
They will use same pilots all ferry operations but I have
promised pilots and engineers to instruct initial groups
through Soviet Mission Fairbanks in each type airplane
turned over. Be sure have Alaska maps and briefing instruc-
tions to Nome at Fairbanks. Recommend all planes have Soviet
insignia which in Red Star same size and place our white
star. They asked me guarantee fourteen hundred miles for
fighters which I did assuming correct power settings and
last drop gas. They are intensely and properly interested
spare parts along route and request recommendations of items.
Plan is divert parts from other routes to extent practicable
to fill airplanes west bound including transports to reason-
able capacity leaving stockages at all stops Per Ferry
Command.

Bradley

FOOTNOTE: Radio No. 1 is probably(CM-IN-2603 8-8-42).

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/27/96
From: London
To: Milid
No. 3161 August 8, 1942

Summary latest received from Russ by War Office: Russ continue attacks RAZHAY area.

German forces making further progress in advance toward Stalingrad from South Don River.

In Caucasus sector German have captured Tikhoretsk and force (IXXBO-HRAFW 354) moving Westward over River Kuban North of Armavir have made progress toward Maikop.

Comment: Above adds up to about same you sent us in Gee two Bulletin eighth but sent as possible confirmation.

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From: Ankara
To: Milid
No. 232 August 8, 1942

British source report German Official Communiqué states
Rumanian troops between Don and Sal and Cavalry at Kouchevskaya.
Journalist arrived from Bucharest reports 7 Rumanian Divisions
on front 150,000 to 200,000 men occupying trans Nystra and
Ukraine; losses 25,000 to 30,000 killed in Donetz Basin this
summer; 100,000 men working on Constanza damh Cernavoda pipe line
under direction Todt Organization. Head of Turkish Railway
Delegation to Germany returned two weeks ago stated that four
tenth of civilians are party members believe that they can win
war other apathetic, great --- they have plenty of spare wheels
tires for railway cars, one factory turning out 300 weekly,
having transport difficulties Russia, due to Russian destruction
material.

Jadwin

--- Two words missing, being serviced, will forward upon
receipt.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Moscow
To: MILID

No. 2 August 7, 1942

Supplementing my no. 1 to OPD-Streets Landing Fields along ferry routes are said adequate now for bombers maximum distance between stops about 1,300 statutory miles. Additional airbases Velkal located approximately 178 degrees West 65 degrees 30 minutes North under construction completed about September 1st will made longest leg 980 miles. Fighters will not be flown until Velkal ready. All airports except Krasnoyarsk facilities for only few ships. Sufficient fuel and oil now spotted for several weeks operations after which Soviet plan replenish supply by air. This procedure inefficient. Delivery points all airplanes Fairbanks. All planes except fighters should have radio compasses. Soviet B-25 with English speaking Russians now on route Nome for 3 American Conducted survey flights Nome to Krasnoyarsk. Request Americans be Nome or Soviet planes be routed Fairbanks after landing Nome. I request 3 to 5 more American officers be authorized in either American or additional Russian airplanes. Full inspection privileges each airport will be granted Americans. This Soviet B-25 carries joint codes prepared prior our arrival Moscow. Copy joint codes prepared Washington were delivered by me to Russians here. No decision yet which code will be used. Exchange of weather service will be decided later conference. Questions to be answered by Russians next meeting are 1. Earliest date ferry crews will arrive Fairbanks 2. In what numbers, 3. Maximum number Americans permissible Survey flights, 4. How transported, 5. Spare parts and equipment desired for transportation by air on westward flight. Summary—we are ready Russians lack transports, one main landing field, emergency fields, fuel and organization. An pessimistic over practicability Ferry Operations this year however Russians say they can do job if given transports and radio compasses.

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From: Bern
To: Milid
No. 279 Aug 7, 1942

From Freedas Reich admits to German public that
t Army has not been able surround, annihilate large
units Russian Army as last year because of Soviet
system of preliminary defense retreats but claims
Russians disorganized uncoordinated southern sector.

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Aug 7, 1942
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From:  An Embassy London
To:  Millie

No. 3153, Aug 7, 1942.

Brit have information Russ attacks Rehev Area in progress but nothing on situation.

Do not repeat not believe Germans making any progress Voronezh or in Don Bend west Stalingrad. However Germans have reached Area of Kotelnikovski in an eastward advance between Rivers Don and Sal and are thus threatening Stalingrad from south and also may flank Russ in Don River Bend.

The spearhead of Germa advance southward is now turning westward across River Kub N North of Armavir. This may be sized Maikop, Krasnodar and Novorossisk, any or all of them.

Brit have reliable report saying is believed so far Russ have accomplished their withdrawals in southern Areas without having any important forces surrounded or cut off by Germans.

Brit here believe Russ had plan to counter attack present Germa southward advance before now but that plan has gone wrong.

Brit have no repeat no confirmation or information on report your cable bulletins that Germa advance on Murmansk Area under way and wish know how you evaluate your original information on which you base statement. Request advice.

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From: Moscow
To: Wiliid

No. 46, Aug. 6, 1942.

For OPUC dash General Street from Bradley at first meeting today Soviet requested 43 DC dash three transports without crew from United States to do own ferrying Fairbanks Krasnoyarsk. As we are willing to do ferrying and would use about same number transports it would not impose additional burden our resources grant Soviet request. First Contingent Soviet pilots can arrive ferry Fairbanks 20 dash 25 August, I recommend approval and request immediate answer permit continuation negotiations. Also advise whether A dash 20 can be equipped radio compass necessary trackless wastes Siberia. Further report of meeting follows.

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From: London
To: MILID
No. 3136, Aug 4, 1942

Following is summary War Office Intelligence and Operations verbal estimate Russ situation this AM: at Rzhev Germs are holding Russ attacks.

At Voronezh after comparative lull Russ again attacking.

In Stalingrad area Russ offering strong resistance in Don bend and are holding Germs far south as Tsimlyanskaya which is Germs most easterly bridgehead.

South of lower Don Germ claims to have reached Kuban River while not repeat not confirmed are probably correct and Russ situation this area very bad.

On basis present situation Brit believe Germs will undoubtedly try and force crossings Kuban River while Russ resistance still disorganized and important Germs secure crossings and get footing south side soon as possible account difference terrain north and south sides river and also that early objective Germs believed be Oil Town Maikop. With same objective plus Krasnodar oil refineries Brit also consider combined Germ operation across Black Sea or Sea Azof soon likely.

Brit also consider Germs must protect Caucasian flank by securing line of Volga from Stalingrad to Astrakan and may
From: London
To: MILID
No. 3136, Aug 4, 1942

start this move by attempt to take Stalingrad from south via Teimlyanskaya.

If and when Germs accomplish above objectives Brit then envisage Germ move to Caspian Sea along railway via Grozni.

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To: Milid Washington D C

No. 3112 July 31, 1942

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Following is substance information given Brit
Moscow by Russ thirtieth: position Voronezh remains
unchanged.

Russ continue to hold Gera attacks in Don bend
where heavy fighting going on in Kletskaya dash Ka-
lach area.

South of lower Don Gers are driving Southward
from Rostov and from the Sal River bridgeheads but
Russ deny Ger claim to capture Proletarskaya, sixty
miles south of Don, and thereby cut Railway Stal-
ingrad to Novorossisk.

Gers claim to be attacking on Taman Peninsula
by landing from Kerch not confirmed here.

Russ say their situation South of West end of
Don serious in the extreme but further East along Don
and in vicinity Stalingrad say still confident of
outcome.

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By RT, NARA, Date
From: Bern
To: Milid
No. 266 July 25, 1942

Front line Voronecz South North along Don to Maly Schowo dash Western bank Voronecz River through City to Northern outskirts dash skirting Podgorze to South dash crossing Don Northeast edge of woods North of Ossemilwki thence along Western bank Don to North. This reference your No. 142.

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FROM: London
TO: MIID

NO. 3076, July 25, 1942

Czech War Office London July twenty third reports reserves supreme Soviet Command in area Tomov dash
Penza dash Saratov expected noon to intervene on
Russian Western Front. Main reserves reported in area
Moscow dash Gorki dash Kazan dash Saratov dash Tomov.

Personal tour Stalin and several members National
Defense Committee behind front lines Voronezh recently
reported.

Soviets reported preparing defense facing possible
German penetration far as Volhynia, and Kulyshov being
strongly fortified by deep concrete fortresses. Local
Russian offensive operations along central, western and
northern sectors aim to hold German sector reserves,
preventing their being thrown into southern break through.

Russian confidence in defense system Moscow area
illustrated by removal of inner and outer barricades.

First report this nature received from Czech War
Office. No verification of reports received, but Czech War
Office gives full credence.

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From: Embassy London
To: Milid Washington DC
No. 3068 July 24, 1942

In Russia north of Voronezh apparently only local operations going on.

Area of Voronezh Germs on Defensive but still retain one Don River Bridgehead.

Germ claim to have crossed Don east of Donets River on broad front but this still unconfirmed. However is believed here some Ger armored units have crossed Pagi Germs claim to have entered city limits Rostov while Russ say Germs still some twenty miles away. In either case long Rostov clearly threatened and soon. This leaves next question whether and what heavy equipment Russ Can evacuate south of Don from Rostov area.

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From: Bern
To: Milid
No. 263 July 22, 1942

General Kwei formerly Berlin hears from reliable source two German air landing divisions concentrated Ertch Peninsula for invasion of West Caucasus.

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To: Millid Washington DC  
No. 3057 July 22, 1942

Best information available today shows that Spearhead of German southward advance toward lower Don has now turned westward toward Rostov with evident objective bagging all Russ troops west of German advance and north of Don. War Office has information that Russ have four heavy capacity Pontoon bridges just east of Rostov but doubt if would last long enough under air attacks to enable withdrawal heavy Russ equipment if this becomes necessary.

Also understood that attacks aimed Rostov from north and west making progress.

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 3052 July 21, 1942

Two additional Germ divisions have arrived
Finland making total now there ten. Identity and
location still unknown.

War office consider that Germ advance elements
have crossed Don River east of Rostov.

Brit information is that present withdrawals
Russ in southeast area taking place in orderly
manner and only after inflicting great losses on
Germ. However war office believes that if and when
Russ forced to withdraw across river Don this will
be much more severe test of their ability and
organization and if not successfully accomplished
might result in most serious situation yet faced by
southern Russ armies.

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From: Am Embassy London
To: Milid
No. 3029 July 17, 1942

Brit have no repeat no information on present situation Karelian and Rzhev sectors
Russ front.

Believe the Murman attack about ready.

Russ state they have seized initiative
Voronezh. Brit consider Gers are now maintaining
sufficient pressure at Voronezh to immobilize the
very large Russian forces there.

Russ high command admits that in south Soviet
Forces have received serious blow and suffered
reverses but say are by no means defeated and
are retiring in orderly manner and inflicting
losses on enemy greater than own. Also say
certain Ger's cannot reach Volga although they
consider Ger's determined any cost to reach Volga,
isolate Caucasus and destroy Timoshenkos Armies.

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From: Teheran
To: Milid

No. 88, July 16th, 1942.

General Engr Czech Minister of Defense here en route from Kubyshev to London reports that the rank and file of Soviet Army are confident of victory despite present reverses. Politicians join in place of second front anywhere and promise that they will suppress the German Army that it will be unable to divert any appreciable force for second front large forces are being trained in rear where there is shortage of equipment when preliminary training is completed a unit is sent to quiet front for a brief tour then back to rear for more training and then again to quiet front for second tour often to fourteen days the unit is then pulled out fully equipped and considered ready for action they express gratitude for material assistance from allies from Syzmanski.

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To: MILID

No. 3023, July 16, 1942

As already admitted by Russ Germs have occupied Boguchar and Millerovo and later reliable information received is that Germs have reached Kamensk less than one hundred miles north and slightly east of Rostov. Also Germs now attacking at a point due north sixty miles from Taganrog.

War Office has definite information that at least nine of the twenty Germ armored divisions on this front have been committed to present fighting and believe number now committed probably more. Also sure at least nine motorized and thirty-eight infantry divisions of Germans plus seven Hungarian and at least eight Wop and Roumanian divisions are on the offensive front including Crimea but believe number Germ motorized and infantry divisions may be much greater.

War Office opinion is that Germs intend advancing with their left flank following the Don at the same time making sweeps southward and westward in efforts to cut off and destroy Russian troops and that the most recent Germ attack eastward from the Taganrog area is a factor in this plan which may prove very dangerous to the Russ.

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From: Moscow  
To: Milid  

No. 34, July 16th, 1942.

Gumansky now directing Tass (Agency) formally informed press correspondents Tuesday of relaxation Soviet Censorship on press reports containing unfavorable aspects Red Army efforts "lest American and British Readers think Soviet reserves are greater than actualities". This obviously effort to bring all possible pressure to bear to open second front which has long been aim Soviet Leaders but now definite trend in Soviet Press and people.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/94
From: London
To: Mild

No. 3069 July 15 1942

British jic paper dated eleventh containing jic comments on joint USA intelligence committee paper number jic twenty five dash one dash second draft subject Russian Capabilities dated June eighteenth has been sent Washington. Be sure get copies both above papers.

Local representative Donovan office today received instructions secure from Brit information of Russ strength and dispositions Siberian area and local man has requested this office to assist. As best British information is contained in jic paper referred to first paragraph above this paper has been made available to him. Present British estimate strength Soviet Far Eastern Armies is as follows: twenty two infantry divisions of which eighteen are regular. Seven cavalry divisions all regular and including three in outer Mongolia. Eleven tank and motorized brigades all regular. Nine separate infantry brigades all reserve. British consider this minimum estimate based on information available. British estimate Russ aircraft in and east of Lake Baikal military district at nineteen hundred. Distribution and stations above Army and EFP Forces unknown to British.

Another cable reference JIC matters follows tomorrow.

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From: Moscow
To: Milid

No. 33, July 14, 1942.

From Soviet Liaison Officer today: Railroads from Makhachkala to Astrakhan now operating, Voronezh battle resemble Moscow offensive last December in intensity and massed tank action, American tanks being used performing very satisfactorily but Soviets would prefer them lower and wider for less vulnerability and more stability, use same by Germans expected. Saratov large war industrial center (unconfirmed reports that industry evacuation has begun there after several bombings) and Stalingrad are immediate German objectives both now heavily defended, Soviets strong reserve northwest of Stalingrad yet unused, Soviets ready for Japan in Far East, confirming presence Manchuria 35 Japanese Divisions plus Manchurian troops, anxious about Second Front.

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From: Embassy London
To: Mild

No. 2965, July 14th, 1942.

As usual little first hand factual information received here on current Russian situation. Following however is clear: fighting in Rzhev Area West of Moscow is growing in violence but WO considers it meant as holding attack.

The German Northern Drive from Kursk has turned Russ flank and drive from Kharkov also making rapid progress. WO states too early form definite opinion whether above two drives will become Pincer or will combine as all out drive southeastward to Caucasus.

For MIS Control: WO has report believed good that German plan is definitely to drive to Caucasus thence south to Iraq.

British told by Russ Gen Staff they expect immediately a combined operation against Murmansk. WO considers such operation will take place but not yet ready.

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July 13, 1942

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 2965, July 13, 1942

War offices views German capture entire Don Bend west of Stalingrad practically inevitable. Considers escape Major Portion personnel probable but loss of material west of Don already high, probable loss material in Don Bend incalculable.

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 2975, July 11, 1942

Only fresh development Russ front since our last cable is a fresh Germ drive aimed at Lisichansk on River Donetz fifty miles southeast of Izium and Russ have evacuated town of Rossosh.

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No. 2968, July 10, 1942.

Still nothing except Germ claim to indicate capture of Voronezh. However acceptable information here this AM that Geran have captured town of Rosmosh which is one hundred ten miles south of Voronezh and on the main line Railway Moscow to Rostov. Geran also attacking at and probably have captured town of Liski also on main line Railway and about half way Voronezh and Rosmosh. Another Germ thrust has reached Valuiki also on Railway.

There is no repeat no information here to indicate any truth in sensational story printed by Beaverbrook papers last night and attributed to a Moscow dispatch to an American radio news service saying Russ had moved large forces and great numbers their tanks from Siberia to Western Front to help against present Germ drive.

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From: Am Embassy London
To: Milid

No. 2961, July 9, 1942.

Recent information from Crimea that as result fall Sevastopol Germ troops being rushed from there to East Crimea. That substantial axis air effort being made against town on eastern shore Sea of Azov and Black Sea. That Axis attack against Taman Peninsula seems likely.

WO opinion that if present Kursk and Kharkov drives continue successful an attack from Stalingrad may be expected. Also believed that in present operations much depends on whether Russ can lose ground without also losing men and equipment and in withdrawing what losses Russ can inflict on Germs in men and material.

WO says have no repeat no information whatever on Russian reserves either tactical or strategic and Russ will not repeat not furnish any.

Air Ministry believes Germs have moved Squadron M% zero nines probably to Constanta to protect Roumanian oil fields against American bombing.

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Weather past week western front sunny dry but cool other fronts unknown.

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From: Embassy London
To: Milid Washington DC
No. 2951 July 7, 1942

His control: You probably already aware
last night bound convoy reaching northern Norwegian
waters attacked by German battle ships and other
Nava1 surface craft and suffered severe damage.
Also returning convoy from Russ had serious damage
from Minefield-northwest Iceland.

Germ Kurck offensive has made unexpectedly
rapid advance but British do not repeat do not
believe very large Russ forces have been cutoff
west Don River but believe Russ withdrawal was
planned and executed orderly manner.

No repeat no reliable information here on
size or success Russ counter attack northeast of
Orel.

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From Moscow
To G-2
No 24, July 7, 1942

Members Soviet Information Bureau stated unofficially Japanese attack in Far East expected late July or early August. Japanese to move experienced troops from Burma and India where they intend to hold meanwhile. Chinese Military Attaché confirms above saying Japanese now strengthening defense railroad Hankow-Harbin for movement of troops against Maritime Province. Chinese have 1,000,000 new troops for such emergency. Japanese preparing for Soviet threat from Baikal Lake through Mongolia. Japanese have 500 planes in Manchuria, 7 regular and first class reserve divisions Japan proper. Rumor several sources Taishet-Komsomolsk railroad completed for use only war outbreak far Eastern Communist Party meetings being held subject far Eastern Defense. Reference my visit to representative and pointing out mutual advantages complete exchange information Soviet Liaison Officer stated that future events may soon permit such exchange. Stalin visit with Ambassador has produced beneficial effects on lesser Soviet Officials.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/4/1974
From: London
To: Milid
No. 2934, July 4, 1942

The reported German attack due west of Moscow is said by War Office to involve only one German Division and believed to have only limited objectives and for purpose pinning down Russian Forces that area. War Office also believes that such attacks may be expected from time to time all along front north of Kursk for some purpose.

All late information on Kursk and Kharkov sectors indicates Germans are extending widths their respective penetrations two sectors and may soon merge.

German Air Force apparently trying destroy railway south from Kharkov to Rostov.

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By DBS

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From: London
To: Milid Washn DC
No. 2929 July 3, 1942

Following is General picture present situation Russian front T based on best information available London: both Brit and Russ consider early combined operation against Murmansk probable.

Russ expect and British agree will soon be operation against Leningrad but believe will be limited objective cutting off city and communication.

Enemy is believed to have finally destroyed after fighting since February a considerable Russ force that had established itself west of river Volkhov north of Lake Ilmen.

German attacks Kursk area in direction Voronezh still intense. East and southeast of Kharkov Germs launched fresh attack on twentysecond which forced Russ east of river Oskol from Kupyansk south to river Donets but now apparently a lull in this fighting.

Latest reliable info from Sevastopol this date is Germs in city and street fighting going on.

As we previously reported Russ Gen Staff do not repeat not definitely accept attack at Kursk as the beginning of Germanys delayed all out offensive. Brit here now
modify their previous belief that Kursk is the big jump off to the opinion that the main German offensive may now have begun. That Kursk is only part and is likely to combined with fresh attacks east of Kharkov and drive east from Taganrog.

All known recent moves and concentrations German troops should indicate they intend main effort to be from Kurst inclusive south to sea Azof. German first Panzer army reliably reported fresh and ready be thrown in either Kursk or Kharkov areas or further south. Also fresh flak formations reported similarly concentrated. Fall Sevastopol should release seven Germ Infantry and one armored division also about two hundred fifty bombing ACFT.

The Russ attack Kharkov sector in May and extended Russ resistance Sevastopol have undoubtedly forced start Germ offensive much later than either intended or desirable to them. If it is true as believed by the British that Germs no longer have overwhelming superiority in the air and armored force then this combined with already serious delay to Germs offensive may force Germs to concentrate on comparatively narrow front when offensive does get under way.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/84
From: Chungking
To: Milid
No. 240, July 2, 1942

Admiral Yang G-2 about to be relieved saying Russians have about 40 radio cryptographic interception staffs under General Rosin (?) in China and while Chinese have given them much Japanese material, nothing of value has been returned. Russians appear much more complacent about possibility of Siberian attacks than last year leading him to believe that possible Russians-Japanese understanding. Comment: There are unconfirmed rumors that Russians are now receiving rubber via Japan.

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To: WILID WASHF

No. 2923 July 2, 1942

On basis all information today War Office accepts that Sevastopol finished. Not repeat not considered possible that any Russian Garrison originally consisting equivalent five divisions can escape. Conclusion this operation will release to Germans for use elsewhere over two hundred fifty bombers.

Information received Wo this AM indicates that Russ GEN staff do not repeat do not consider that German attacks now in progress KURSK and KHARCOV should be definitely accepted as opening of Germany's expected all out summer offensive. Russians did not repeat did not amplify their opinion with further information as to when, where or what the real offensive would be but the natural deduction in that RUSS expect real offensive will be unexpected and different from that anticipated by British who still believe offensive will start thru KURSK and KHARCOV and along lines we have previously reported.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
From: Chungking
To: Milid Washington DC
No. 238 July 1, 1942

In discussing Japanese disposition with Russian Military Attaché he stated that their Orientation indicated a northward action either toward Maritime Province or Alaska. Russians are now prepared for any eventuality and expect main efforts against area between Khabarovsky and Vladivostok with minor attacks toward Blagoveschensk and Chita. Except for flood in July weather and terrain suitable for next 3 months. They expect Japanese to follow railroad as heretofore and are preparing large scale Guerilla activity based in the many wooded mountain regions. Chinese are not expected to make any aggressive efforts to aid Russians. If Japanese troops withdraw from certain area, Chinese will merely fill the void. The 18th Route Army (Communists) who might render important service, are still isolated by Hutsung-nan's Troops in the south and west and Fu Tso-Yi in the north and no military supplies have reached them in recent years. Comments: Believe that Japanese definitely plan Siberian attack this summer and that Midway and Aleutian move were designed to secure eastern flank. Plans still hold but rebuffs at Midway may delay execution.

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From: Embassy London
To: Milid
No. 2909, June 30, 1942

On basis all acceptable information to date general situation Russian front as seen by WO follows: North of Lake Illman Germans have undoubtedly regained ground lost when Russ drove salient in February. However not repeat not Believed Russ lost men or material to Extent claimed by Germs.

On central front especially all Moscow sector ground remains far too wet for any operations at present.

South of Moscow in Kursk area the Germans have launched heavy attack eastward which bears all ear marks of being first set piece of delayed big offensive. Is expected this operation has as objective Voronezh.

In Kharkov sector Germans apparently widening hold on railway Moscow to Kupyansk and River Osokol.

At Sevastopol Russ fighting hard but Germs gain little each day.

With above background WO expresses following opinions: That Germs can no longer delay start of big offensive. It is already six weeks later than first starting date planned and one month behind second date.
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Incoming Message

From: London To: Milid No. 2909, June 30, 1942

That German must now decide whether to take their air force off Sevastopol for use Kurak and Kharkov sectors or to start offensive Kurak and Kharkov with less air than will probable be necessary for such offensives.

That, whether German take air from Sevastopol and use Kurak and Kharkov or not German will probably have substantial initial successes as is believed Russ will at first prefer to inflict maximum loss in men and material on German at smallest similar cost to selves and believed Russ consider they can best accomplish this by series well organized counter attacks and withdrawals or vice versa. The Russ have expressed belief that destruction Germans and their material more value than temporary loss of territory.

That German plan still basically the Caucasus with drive from Kurak intended to both cut Russ armies in two also as northern arm of pincer with southern arm along sea of ASOF.

As to the Russians WO believes they are in good shape, well organized and morale high. That they know what to expect from the Germans, have definite plans to meet it and that they have had less losses in the fighting so far this summer than the Germans and much less than the Germans claim they have inflicted.

Greenwell

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CH-IN-9969 (6/30/42) 3:39 PM
From: Moscow
To: Washington DC
No. 16 June 29, 1942

State Department clerk from Vladivostok confirms previous rumors that completion of railroad tunnels under Amur in vicinity Khabarovsk and that tunnels have been completed for alternate runs in case of emergency for all large bridges on Transiberian East of Novosibirsk, no troop movements observed, very many full hospital trains observed all the way from Khabarovsk.

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From:  Moscow
To:    Milid Washington

No. 14  June 29, 1942

Germans 16th Army still surrounded at Starayarussa but evacuation wounded replacements personnel equipment materiel even horses and supplies have been accomplished by heavy German transport planes. Source Red Army Officer through Soviet citizen.

Michela

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MEMORANDUM FOR
THE PRESIDENT

Here is an F. C. C. monitoring service appreciation of Soviet-Japanese relations, which may be of interest.

Very respectfully,

[Handwritten Signature]

JOHN L. McCUMA

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Date MAY 24 1973
A serious aggravation of relations between the Soviet Union and Japan is suggested by the Moscow broadcast of a TASS dispatch, dated from Khaberovsk, June 24, carrying the statement that the sinking of the Russian merchantman Angarskoi was the result of Japanese submarine action. The Soviet announcement appears simultaneously with a statement from the Australian radio that crewmen of a Russian freighter at Sydney reported being attacked three times recently by a submarine, presumably Japanese, which they were sure they had finally destroyed. The significance of the announcement is increased by its timing, by its treatment on the Russian radio, and by its appearance at the same time as increasing Japanese attention to Russian affairs.

**TIMING**

The Soviet announcement, coming seven weeks after the sinking, constitutes a blunt denial of favorist attempts, recently revived, by Japanese propagandists to blame the incident on the United States. Japanese comment immediately after the event, which occurred on May 1, associated it with the torpedoing of the Japanese steamer Calcutta Maru in adjacent waters on the same day. The Tokyo radio stated that "it was disclosed that the Russian vessel was torpedoed either by a submarine belonging to the United States or one of the Allied powers."

Tokyo gave no further attention to the Angarskoi incident until June 20, nearly 2 months later. Tokyo radio transmitted announcements on that date and on June 22 and 24, bluntly charging the United States, on the authority of the Foreign Office, with responsibility for the sinking and with attempting "to wheedle the Soviet Union into war with Japan." However, according to Tokyo, "the Soviet authorities are too wise to be fooled by these tactics." Tokyo also has claimed credit for saving the Russian sailors, although it has shown considerable confusion and contradiction concerning the details of the rescue. The categorical Russian statement, moreover, follows Tokyo's infrequent and cryptic references to the purpose of Ambassador Seto's visit to the Soviet capital and the announcement on June 20 that "the Japanese Ambassador has reported the details to Moscow."

Apparently unaware of the Soviet announcement, Tokyo on June 25 continued to explain the incident as an American plot to promote Japanese-Soviet trouble.
TREATMENT OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT BY MOSCOW RADIO

The manner of reporting the event is fully as significant as its timing. The tone of the statement is in striking contrast to similar pronouncements concerning critical incidents which have not been followed by Soviet action, and its dissemination through all domestic propaganda channels suggests the intention of formulating Soviet public opinion on Russo-Japanese relations.

Soviet radio description of the incident is factual and non-emotional. No course of retaliation is described or predicted. No demands are made on the Japanese, and no warnings are issued. The highly emotional reaction of Moscow to the Pearl Harbor attack presents a contrasting pattern and also indicates the underlying attitude of the Soviet Union toward Japanese military action in the Far East. Moscow radio, in an English-language broadcast on December 12, repeated the Pravda editorial on Pearl Harbor. Excoriating both the attack and its diplomatic prelude, the broadcast charged that the Kureau mission "clearly had the aim to camouflage the preparations for this pernicious attack." It added that "it is thus prominent that in this case Japan is undoubtedly the aggressor," and went on to predict an eventual Japanese defeat.

The inclusion of eastern Siberia in the Greater East Asia sphere by Japanese newspapers in January provoked Radio Moscow on February 1 to a violent denunciation of Japanese journalists "possessing big appetites, unlimited springs of fantasy, but short on brain power," whom "following in the track of their German colleagues, recklessly and arrogantly set about skinning of bears they have not killed." Responsibility for "these insane ravings" was connected with the government via the "strict military censorship." Japan was warned to learn from the "bitter experience" of the Germans, who "have come to the acknowledgment of the strength and power of the Soviet Union." This was an English-language broadcast, apparently not directed to domestic listeners. Similarly, Radio Moscow's reaction to the outcome of the von Papen trial was an unequivocal and highly emotional condemnation of the "injustice."

The significance of these contrasts lies in the fact that the violent reactions followed events concerning which the Russians apparently intended to take no action. The statement on the Angara oil sinking, of course, is a first announcement, and there will be plenty of time for a more emotional treatment later, but the character of the initial statement remains of at least presumptive importance.

Domestic Russian use of the report further emphasizes the potentialities of the incident. The sinking is receiving nationwide publicity in the U.S.S.R., as "Facts information for the regional, republic, provincial district, and front line papers." This is in conformity with past practice of broadcasting from Moscow news items that appear simultaneously and universally in the local Soviet press.
and are obviously intended to build public opinion with reference to an issue, in this case the relations between Russia and Japan.

OTHER STRAWS IN THE WIND

The Moscow broadcast appeared after Japanese occupation of the western Aleutians, which checkmated possible American offensive action in that area, and in the midst of Japanese efforts to eliminate Chinese bases for air raids on Japan.

Paralleling its denunciation of alleged American and Chungking attempts to foment discord between Japan and Russia, Tokyo radio this week paid much more than the usual amount of attention to Russian affairs. Usually cautious and equivocal in this area, it has for the first time treated Japan as the "Axis" power in the Far East. This is a new and more intimate emphasis on Tripple solidarity. On the June 22 anniversary it said Japan is "fervently praying for Germany's continued success," and is very much interested in the European war's progress, and is "observing all possibilities for the purpose of absolute security." Tokyo's Nichi Nichi on June 22, for the first time since December, stated flatly that Japan must be concerned with the European War because Japan is a party to the anti-Comintern Pact.

Tokyo broadcasts for the past several months have become more bold in their treatment of the U.S.S.R. when United Nations reverses have occurred. This might suggest that Japan would strike in Siberia when an offensive was well under way on the western Russian front. Coupled with recent German advances in the Ukraine and in North Africa and with the Tokyo radio's increased attention to developments in these theaters, the earlier hints from Japan are perhaps significant. A similar hint may be implied in a Tokyo broadcast to Europe on June 21 that recent Axis victories encourage them to believe that "Russia will get no help in the vital six months ahead."

Reports from Chungking, which must be discounted, since China has continuously hoped for a Russo-Japanese break, nevertheless suggest a possible reason for the resurrection of the Angara strike incident at this time. On June 10, Chungking reported Japanese troop concentration in Manchuria and on the 17th referred to an increase from 10 to 33 in the Japanese divisions along the Soviet-Mongolian border and the movement of naval and air forces to the North Pacific. On the 19th, Chungking mentioned continued troop concentration in China's northeastern provinces. On the 24th, it claimed that United States submarines had sunk four of seven Japanese ships moving north from Hongkong to Shanghai. On the 26th a story allegedly secured from Japanese prisoners on the central front indicated that the Japanese are using new and untried troops in that area, suggesting that the trained veterans were possibly being moved north.

Tokyo on June 26 took some notice of these reports by referring to a June 24 editorial in the Chungking Kuang-Ming Kuang-Geo, which

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predicted a Siberian offensive within one month, as "propaganda" and "wishful thinking on the part of the Chungking regime."

The Japanese-organized station XORS in Shanghai, however, on June 25 quoted a Japanese newspaper Taikoku Shim bun as saying that Russia and China have been "lured" by the Anglo-Russian pact and that "close attention must be paid to the Soviet."

CONCLUSIONS

While no clear picture of immediately impending hostilities emerges from these broadcasts, they do seem to indicate steadily mounting tension. Russia has not been the source of threats, but has occasionally warned Japanese extremists. The Angersrodi statement perhaps is a counter-move to Tokyo's menacing of Siberia and her increased interest in Triplee solidarity.
From: Teheran
To: Milid Washington DC
No. 71 June 27, 1942

From Szymanski Meyer Handler up correspondence spent 8 months Moscow Kuibyshev arrived via steamer, on Volga and Caspian via Astrakan Baku Pahlevi said probably 90 percent Volga traffic consists of oil barges hauling direct from Baku across Caspian Sea intensity of oil barge traffic surpasses previous notions size of Soviet tanker fleet traffic confirmed view Russians do not rely upon rail transport to bring oil supplies intensity of oil traffic on Volga tending to confirm belief German objective in Kharkov offensive is to reach Volga and cut off Russian oil life line Russians massed great strength there and will make necessary sacrifices to hold Germans. Life along Volga normal. Women doing all work going southward food situation improve confirms notion that transport is cause of shortage in some localities convalescent soldiers women and children moving toward Caucasus where foodstuff is plentiful. Though movement not large tending to prove Russians confident of situation there Handler gathered from Intelligents Russians they are most anxious for American cooperation for Post War reconstruction they admit great
problems them post war and desire that
strongest friendship relations supplant
pre-war political antagonism have no thought
of Communicating world Lieutenant Colonel S
Crankshaw of British Mission Moscow just arrived
and in independent conversation with me con-
firming above views and added that Russian
Defense in depth so great as to frustrate any
local German Offensive. To be successful
Germans must attack on entire front but no
longer have man power nor concentration of
material attitude of Russians strong offen-
sive improbable Major Paty Czech MA here from
Kuibyshev confirms view regarding defense
and adds that entire Russian River area is
strongly Fortified attitude toward British
greatly improved since signing of treaty.

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 2889 June 26, 1942

All information received by WO indicates that while Russ continue determined fighting Sevastopol situation constantly grows worse.

Confirmed that Russ have lost Kupyansk sixty five miles southeast of Kharkov on Rostov-Kharkov railway but believed German losses this operation very heavy while Russ loss comparatively light.

WO considers that scale and determination German attack Kharkov area to widen and extend their bridgehead over Donetz definitely indicate this will be one of main points in big offensive now overdue.

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From: Moscow
To: Milid

No. 10 June 25, 1942

Visited Soviet fifth Army HQ five km South Uvarovo and Beloi Reserve line twentieth guard division Astride Minsk HQY sixteen km East Gqhas. Right on RR left three km South Sorokino and comprising probably five divisions. No activity either side both have defensive missions. All roads west Mzhaisk impassable to wheeled motor transport except where corduroyed due two months unusual rainy period. Daily supply trains to Uvarovo. Much animal transport observed farm tractors pull four dash four wheeled two ton trailers ammunition and gasoline latter in tanks or drums. German main position around Gqhas and with concrete defense works. Soviet defensive positions between Moscow and Mzhaisk excellent and contain very strong reserves. German push along Minsk Hwy will probably fail. Soviets expect drive thru Kalinin not directly against Moscow and report German prisoners up to comprising forty first and ninth corps latter south with greater part facing Soviet fifth Army. German inf diys south from railway seventh thirty fifth seventy eight eighty seventh one nine seventh twenty third and twentieth tank divs. Since war began Soviets have abandoned Corps organization except cavalry. Army commander controls directly five or twelve divs depending situation and subordinated to front commander. Attachments of extra
divms and artillery from GHQ. Commanding generals aid
change permitted closer better control and facilitated
supply which is now Army motor transport to divisions
div mtr transport to battalions when possible. Organizations
have twelve animal carts which go to bns. Not all Soviet
divs have tank battalions. In practice tank bns are attached
to divs and tanks brigs to armies where needed no tank
divisions exist. Many women clerk typists telephone and
radio operators messengers in div and higher HQs. Many
women doctors and nurses. My general impression favorable and
my opinion Red Army now somewhat higher making allowances
for Russian characteristics. Attitude line officers most
friendly. Detailed written report follows.

Michela

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will follow.

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From: Moscow
To: Milid

No. 10, June 25, 1942.

Thirty five years save none too good morale but discipline superb. Soviet troops quartered in timbered underground dugouts well fed confident excellent morale but all anxious about second front. Soviets reluctant on own dispositions and strength but gave following German: Twelfth Army

Michela

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FOOTNOTE: This is a correction of CM-IN-8615 (6/26/42). Report of visit to Soviet Front.

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#8 June 24, 1942

Have just returned from front report follows.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Teheran
To: Milid Washington
No 69 June 24, 1942

When Russians occupied Eastern Poland they moved some two million Poles other than Peasants to various parts of Russia and Siberia the destination of some groups not known at present even to Russians one group of 7000 Officers and Professional men sent to Saint Francis Island cannot be located the intent of Russians was to destroy Poles thru hard labor and under feeding they succeeded partially the decision to evacuate Poles to Iran was made when Russians Military situation looked desperate when that improved they hedged on agreement and threw obstacles in the way. Despite God awful treatment Poles are determined to reconcile differences with Russians for common good little is said of their hardships my language enables me to engage in free conversation from that I conclude food situation throughout Russia is desperate Russians Censors there permitted newspaper correspondents to appeal to U. S. for foodstuffs. From SZYMANSKI.

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OSD Letter, May 4, 1972

By DBS Date May 21, 1973

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From: London
To: Milid

No. 2871 June 24, 1942

Latest first hand information from Sevastopol dated night nineteenth shows axis then within five miles city on south and gaining ground. This added to information dated eighteenth sent you our [twenty eight fifty] two shows city completely encircled and axis progress all sides.

Air ministry estimate axis heavy bombing Sorties against city seven hundred to one thousand daily.

WO this AM express opinion fall Sevastopol question days only.

Russ communiqué midnight twenty third says their troops slightly with drawn in Kharkov area as result fighting that day. WO has no repeat no information on this particular fighting and express opinion this announcement may be deliberately delayed announcement Russ withdrawal which did take place in Kharkov area about week ago but which Russ did not repeat not announce at that time. It is known that Russ most often do purposely delay such news.

Reported that Russ bombings Murmansk have damaged city proper but not repeat not harbor or naval installations.

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
From: Moscow
To: Milid Washn DC
No. 7 June 21, 1942

Permission visit Mozhaisk front on Monday suddenly received. Believe this is to get me out of Moscow after Ambassador requested visit with Stalin saying he wanted his Milattache with him. Park with me. Your no fourteen in code not my possession. My no six decoded found correct as sent.

Michela

Note: Radio 14 (CM-OUT-4904, 6/20/42)CG AAF. Desire location radio meteorograph stations; radio 6 (CM-IN-2793, 6/9/42)Lend-Lease. Has food order for supply mission been reloaded?

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
From: London
To: MILID
No: 2852 June 21, 1942

Only first hand information received by Brit to date on situation Sevastopol just received from Naval Officer with Russia Black Sea Fleet who says to night eighteenth attackers still two miles from Estuary. That great damage had been done by Axis bombing and shelling but Russ fighting with great skill and determination.

WO estimate today that while many strong defences and much difficult terrain must yet be overcome by Axis present odds slightly against successful defence.

As to activity other parts Russ front WO still without information other than German Russian communiques.

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June 21, 1942
6:59 P.M.

From: Moscow
To: Milid

No. 6 June 20, 1942

Following re trip here Soviet liaison officer in Moscow who knew I was in Kuibyshev called Moscow Embassy mid-night June eleventh asking for Mathen Naval Attache report at once to Soviet general of aviation second call to bring Faymonville subject was notice approval use of airdomes Southern USSR for Rumanian bombing mission apparently in answer to US request thru General Believ when ambassador received naval attache full report he sent me Moscow to follow up Soviets gave no information today Colonel Evestigneiev expresses surprise on force landing our bomber in Turkey my reply that this probably due to permission use Soviet airdomes not arriving in time struck sensitive cord Soviet failure to answer through same channels as request was received and subsequent events strongly suggest that Soviet reply was tendered late knowingly to avoid accusations of refusal grant use airdomes and not cooperating with US war effort ambassador feels that in view of general situation here knowledge of details concerning arrangements for this operation might be useful to him in future.

Michela

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/84
From: Karachi
To: Agwar for Ammisca
No. Ammisca via Speck 844 Ammisca

June 20, 1942

The Chief of Chinese Air Forces and the Chief Staff Bureau Foreign Affairs National Military Council have both told me they expect Japanese will attack Vladivostok area soon, by fall at latest. They base this belief on movements of strong aircraft and ground units northward. Possible these movements may be to augment home defense Japan of press attack on Free China. However they believe movements mean attack on Siberian air bases. As have no confirmation other than Chinese suggest careful check before information considered authentic. I believe it sufficiently important to necessitate stationing of American air observers in Siberia so we may have full information Siberian Air Fields and aerial supplies in case outbreak Japanese dash Russian hostilities.

(from Col M dash C dash Cooper for Arnold) Therefore to complete my mission request authority be obtained from Russian government and radioed me here for permission to proceed by army air transport accompanied by necessary American army personnel to all major Siberian airports and select posts for competent air observers there. For this travel American army aircraft best as speedier and time is of essence. If for any reason Russian government does not wish me to travel from China to Siberia then suggest another American air officer be sent from Moscow or Kuibishev to Siberia.

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Karachi

Whoever goes must have full authority survey fields, study Russian aerial supplies, and have complete support of Russian government or trip useless. Have submitted all information gathered by me in last six weeks to both military and naval attaches here for incorporation in their reports to Washington if they deemed it important. This cable in compliance with classified letter AGO two one zero point four eight two (two dash two dash eighteen dash forty two) OA.

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June 16, 1942
2:37 PM

From: Teheran
To: NILID

No. 66, June 16

From Szymanski General Anders sent telegram to Colonel Anthony Szymanski of Polish Force in Persia informing him that his conversations with Stalin are progressing and he expects to reach an agreement to evacuate the entire Polish Army into Persia Paraphrase of 59.

Ondrick

Note: Radio 59 (CM-IN-4645, 6/15/42). Above message is a paraphrase of CM-IN-4645 (6/15/42).

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From: London
To: Milid

#2817, June 13, 1942

WO has practically no first hand info on ops near Russian front but all acceptable info here shows Russ having very tough time holding Sevastopol and Germs determined knockout.

Germ and Russ and press repts of fierce fighting various points main front not repeat not believed by WO to be beginning or part of expected Germ offensive but instead are local atks by both sides intended to clean up isolated centers resistance each side in expectation big show to come.

Greenwell

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From: London
To: Milid Washington DC

#2797, June 10, 1942

Round up all reliable info here today indicate following Germ intentions on Russ front: moves of Panzer and AA units to Kursk area indicate probable Germ Atck there about 15th. Objectives might be Voroneszh and possibly Tambov to cut Rys between Moscow and StH.

Atck on Stalino Area might follow or coincide with Kursk atck.

Limited off between 15th and 20th in Leningrad Area might aim at capture Volkov and Tikhvin.

Recent move tank landing craft to Norwegian waters and of 2 fresh Mtn Divs to Finland may indicate possibility oprns Murmansk area by end June.

Germ order battle in divs all types now believed: Russ and Finland 1st. Poland and east Prussia 10. Germany Fryone. Norway 8. Denmark 2. Low countries 3. France 25. Yugoslavia 4. Crete and Greek Isles 2. Italy 1. Libya 3. Only recent change in above is increase 2 Inf Divs on Russ front corresponding to an actual increase Germ Army by 2 Inf Divs. Germ 6, 7th and 10th arm divs still France refitting but likely at least 1 of them soon complete refit and leave for Russ.

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June 8, 1942
10:27 AM

From: Teheran
To: Milid

No. 53, June 8, 1942.

General Anders says if Germans succeed in reaching Volga River Russians will be able to hold out next winter but will be very weak and will need tremendous assistance of United States for rehabilitations particularly foods. Russia will not make separate peace with Germans because Germans do not believe them and because Russians are set upon revenge for the German destruction of their towns during German withdrawals last winter prior German invasion. Russians were planning world wide Bolshevik revolution that will be impossible after this summer because of their terrific losses there can be no internal revolution because there is no individual and no groups to start it. Fellow Russian prisoners of Anders estimate that 15,000,000 Russians are in prison concentration camps hungry very prevalent distribution food. Bad claims that Roosevelt has more influence with Stalin than anyone else contact Red Cross Washington DC. Poles expect from Russia June 15th 5000 soldiers 5000 children 4000 women from Szymanski.

Ondrick

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/94
From: Teheran
To: MILID

No. 52, June 6

Members of Soviet -- mission stated unequivocably Soviet will fight if necessary in Northwestern Persia Purpose of protecting communications South Cedar and East of Caspian Sea. Soviet General Staff Officers state that Caucasus defenses being bolstered believe it since Soviet mission to Persia asked me 3 days ago intercede their behalf to replace 600 trained Soviet drivers used transfer lease lend lend trucks to IME-K and Tabriz with Persians Persia continuing (possibly under) Pro Axis sentiment

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BY RT, NARA, DATE 4/1/94
From: London  
To: Militia  
No. 2742 June 3, 1942  

On basis all acceptable info here there is little doubt fighting except small scale locally now in abeyance on recent active Russ front south of Kharkov but reliable info lacking to base worthwhile estimate results opns in terms actual troops engaged, losses in personnel tanks guns etc by either side. However believed by Wo that effect of opns will be defintely set forward date on which Germs could be ready start expected all out offensive. Previous date estimated was June 1st to 15th but now consensus opinion 15th would be earliest date. Opinion also remains that principal Germ effort will be in south toward Caucasus and strong opinion this accompanied by opn against Leningrad and that latter may take either form of direct assault or of holding attack against city accompanied by occupation of Isles off Leningrad latter probability being favored here.

Regarding prospective Germ offensive in south is not known whether Germs compelled use in Kharkov opn all or any troops earmarked for southern drive but there is no info here to show any Germ concentration yet ready for southern drive.

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From Kouibychev
To G--2

No 99 May 31, 1942

Soviet Liaison Officers will not comment upon
Kharkov but their attitude shows discouragement. Soviet
statement that Germans have numerical superiority
unfavorable Aign. Appears German offense has not
commenced, but delayed probably 2 weeks and that
Soviets have lost initiative. Food situation
growing steadily worse may become most important factor.
Polish military Attache states that their troops
short foodstuffs and have not received additional materiel promised, the Soviet refuses to release more
Poles from prison camps; Poles mostly discouraged.
Again requested visit front without results. Films
from our bombers must first pass Moscow Censorship.

Michela

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 2722, May 31, 1942

No repeat no confirmed info here today on sit Russ Front.

General Mason Macfarlane formerly head Brit Mission Russ has left there to become Cinc Gibraltar in succession Gort now Malta.

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From: Madrid
To: Milid

No. 185, May 30, 1942

Reliably reported Spanish Minister of Air leaving for Russian Front June 5, visit air headquarters.

Dusenbury

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From: EDC 2nd Corps Area
To: MIS G-2
2 CA 353, May 26, 1942

Telephone information received by this office from well connected source which has usually been reliable that the following wire was received by the Spanish Embassy Washington at 12 noon May 29 Eastern War Time "Entire Russian front deteriorating very fast. Russian morale running very low. Russian inestimable large movement. Japanese troops Siberian border. Advise caution in all diplomatic affairs pending outcome" informant states he expects receive additional details tonight. Signed Constant

Terry

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
From: London
To: MILID

No 2700 May 27, 1942

Still no last hand info on Sit Kharkov Area but WO does not repeat not accept Germ claim to have cut off or bottled up Russ salient south of Kharkov. Picture as seen here is that Russ drive stopped by combination Germ resistance and Russ necessity reorganization and supply and to greater extent by necessity meeting Germ counter from south of Salient which has now become Russ main effort this area.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/74
From: Madrid
To: Milan

No. 181 May 26, 1942

1300 replacements for Russia left Spain yesterday.

Dusenbury

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From: Teheran
To: NILID

No. 48, May 26, 1942.

Teheran Tabriz railroad between Teheran Mianeh 90% completed rail laid to Pol-E-Dokhtar 17 kilometers south Mianeh opening date to Mianeh about August steepest grades 7 in 1100 service now extending Zenjan capacity if rolling stocks and cutouts are available could be 4,200 tons daily my personal opinion is railroads Tabriz to Mianeh will not be completed as Soviets would prefer to extend Russians broad gauge southward if possible work suspended between Mianeh Tabriz am sending via air detailed report retunneling and bridging unless you desire cable reports Soviets inform me June 15th as date of next probable Polish evacuation McCabe arrived Teheran May 24th copy my 47 to Michela.

Orodick.

Footnote: No. 47 (CM-IN-6967 5-25-42) G-2 International situation observed on railroad trip from Moscow to Baker

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From: Amcn Embassy London
To: Milid Washn DC

No. 2688 May 25, 1942

Very little confirmed info on Russ Front but indicates Russ advance Kharkov Area standstill and Germs making small but favorable progress in Pincer move from both North and South against neckof Russ Salient. Also apparent that activity along front both directions from Salient is increasing and may result in commitment much large forces than originally planned by either Germs or Russ at this place and time s.

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International situation observed on railroad trip from Moscow Baku no evidence of large number of troops or equipment between Moscow Mechurensk from Mechurensk to Povoreno troop trains on sidings all largely station flat cars with light field guns anti-tank guns and trucks each military train had 1 or 2 flat cars with Befors type anti aircraft guns and multiple machine guns many troops all branches every station in above area light field fortifications surrounding stations from Povoreno to Stalingrad no troops trains were observed fewer troops in stations Stalingrad contained large number of troops many convalescent wounded large quantities of scrap iron new tank hulls on trains in sidings Stalingrad from Stalingrad to Tekoretsk no evidence troops in number at fortifications Tekoretsk contained many troops and wounded evidence of considerable old bomb damage in station areas Tekoretsk to Baku convalescent wounded in every town very few troops in above mentioned areas many troops antiaircraft defenses barrage balloons and naval vessels in Baku German reconnaissance planes reported over Baku early May 2 submarines 4 gunboats 2 armed trawler seaplanes in Baku Harbor all cities Moscow to Baku blacked out large quantities of scrap iron oil moving north and south railroads especially Stalingrad Area from McCabe.

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Vietnam

From: Echibaychev
To: EILID

No. 98 May 23, 1942

Believe except Korch German offensive has not yet started. Action near Kharkov May 22 is Soviet offensive intended to break up CI 3 German dispositions and plans as well as relieve pressure on Korch where Soviet unable to reinforce. Soviet liaison officer states that German defensive positions near Kharkov strong CI 6 but that forward positions have been penetrated requiring Germans to use reserves prematurely. My opinion Soviet Kharkov action not as successful as generally CI 9 reported. Estimated losses Germans 328 planes 324 tanks Soviets 160 airplanes. Am flying to Pensa May 24th interview our pilots who landed far east.

Michels

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From Ankara
To G--2
No 159 May 22, 1942

French Military Attache informed by his attache at Bucharest that Rumania will send between July 1st and August 15th following divisions to Russian front: 5th 6th 7th 9th 13th 15th; Grenatieri division to Banat. Armored division has not been reequipped. Rumanian Chief of Staff on recent visit to Germany was shown two seater fighter equipped with 6 cannon capable of firing 500 rounds per minute.

Jadwin

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 2671, May 22, 1942

On basis all reliable info rec'd week ending date following gen picture Russ front: in Finland Russ ice landed Matovka Bay west of Germ positions on 28th April has withdrawn from Northern side river Litsa with heavy losses.

Leningrad and Cent sectors no change.

In Ukraine Russ off against Kharkov initially met with considerable success but now slowed down by Germ counter. Impossible say how far Russ advanced. The Germ attack against 30th of Russ salient toward Izyum is believed to have met with some success.

In Crimea Germ off Kerch Peninsula appears successful and doubtful if Russ now have any foothold there.

In general still no indications Germ major offensive likely begin before early or even mid June and now impossible say what extent Germ timetable and plans altered by Russ off Kharkov.

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From: AMBASSADOR LONDON
To: MILID

No. 2668 May 22, 1942

Nothing from Russia other than official communiques and press stories.

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By RT, NARA, Date: 4/13/94
From: Am Embassy London
To: Mild

No. 2656, May 21, 1942.

Very little reliable info here on present sit south Russ but what there is indicates that while Russ concentric drive Kharoop Area makes progress Germs counter drive northward makes much greater progress on front some 20 miles and more seriously threatens Russ left flank and rear than we reptd 20th. Wo inclined pessimism this sit.

Wo considers Kerch Peninsula cleaned up for all practical purposes.

There is no repeat no confirmation here of Moscow press rept Timo has started atck Taganrog area altho Germ radio last ngt referred to it.

Comment for His Control: Every indication up to present that Russ even more secret with Brit on present oprns than previously when they gave practically no info until after the event. Russ attacks London zero on current oprns either thru fear or ignorance facts, probably combination both. Also not repeat not believed either Russ official communiques or Tass news agency furnish factual info AD.

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From Karachi India
To G-2 No 161 May 21, 1942

Japan and Russia-conclusions. Japan should attack Russia now: She has necessary Naval and ground forces available and probably, but less certainly, enough planes. If she does, she can continue to press Australia or can attack Ceylon, though in each case with diminished effective. Some of Japan's recent moves indicate she may attack Russia, none contradict it: and available neutral opinion thinks she will soon do so. Above conclusions are from most secret appreciation by Director of Military Intelligence for use of Commander in Chief and following arguments are offered to support them. Japan must eventually take Vladivostock or renounce hope of undisputed West Pacific hegemony: if Germany loses this war, Japan also loses and later must fight alone a stronger Russia: therefore to benefit by German exertions, Japan should strike now.

Her primary aim will be to fix Siberian forces and, if possible, to draw further Russian strength thither. For this limited objective, Kwantung Army will certainly seem sufficient to her as will, accepting probable losses caused by Vladivostock submarines, her Naval forces. If Japan has not planes enough now in Manchuria, she cannot get them there in time and operation must be abandoned but it is believed they are available and attack can begin at once. Recent dispatch of (2 1) divs to Kwantung Army and failure to follow up Naval operations in Bay of Bengal together with trend of Jap propaganda, is in recent general election, stressing probability of long war, support this. Australia is considered most probable and India least probable immediate Jap objective, with Ceylon and Russia in intermediate position: but whether alone, or in combination with other objectives, it is believed there is better than even chance of attack on Russia in near future.

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From: Kouibyshev
To: MILID

No. 84, May 21, 1942.

Local Soviet citizen stated yesterday that there are large concentrations Red Army troops at Ulan-Bator in Mongolian peoples republic.

Michela.

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From Moscow
To: G-2

No. 21, May 20th, 1942.

Returning to Kuibyshev by air May 20th. Permission to stay here refused by Soviets until General Military situation clarifies. All business is now transacted in Moscow and presence in Kuibyshev great disadvantage. Was informed I would be shown tank units latter part of May also.

that long delayed fulfill promise to visit front would materialize eventual.

Michela

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From: London
To: Milid

No 2652 May 20th, 1942

Little positive info here on Russ sit but it shows that while Russ have made gains South of Karkov as reptd our 26 50 Germ have launched and made good progress with strong counter thrust against South flank of Russ drive which if not held threatens cutoff Salient Russ have made.

WO opinion that Russ organized resistance Kerch Peninsula finished but Germ claims number personnel tanks and guns captured and destroy not repeat not accepted as reliable info shows Russ had less than half Germ claims there. WO does not repeat not consider Russ got anything away as orders were fight to last.

McClure

FOOTNOTE: Radio 2650 is CM-IN-5251 5/19/42. Report on operations in Russia.

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From: AmEmbassy London
To: NILID
No. 2650, May 19th, 1942

On 18th Panfilov gave Macfarlane following: Russ attack ath of Kharkov was on front 150 Kilos and Russ had broken thru to depth 60 to 70 kilos on front of 80 kilos. In this action Ger 23rd arm div only recently in France had been completely destroyed and Ger 3rd arm div very badly shotup. Last word was thole oprn going well. Panfilov stressed that Russ Gen Staff count on Kharkov oprn throwing Germs prospective offensive south out of gear. Panfilov frankly said Russ suffered heavy reverse Kerch peninsula and made no repeat no mention possibility Russ regaining ground there. Comment: in discussing Kharkov oprn dal wo said was his present personal opinion this Russ offensive also others they might stage would each have limited objectives and would not become all out offensive against whole Ger line. This because Russ had found they could not maintain continuing attchs whole front but found they could not maintain continuing attckwhole front but found it necessary after each period offensive fighting to regroup forces and build up L of C and supply. All above HIS control.

15 tank landing craft Germs have arrived southern Norway. Unconfirmed rept says to be moved Petsamo for attck Murmansk and Fishermans Peninsula. 15 to 20 thou Germs troops in excess number believed necessary for replacement existing forces Norway and additional coast defence being constructed recently arrived Norway therefore sufficient forces available for above oprn. Estimated that for voyage Petsamo to Fishermans Peninsula above 15 tics could carry 45 tanks and 1500 men or 4500 men without tanks. On longer voyage to Murmansk fewer men could be carried. Troops for oprn might be from 2nd, 3rd or 6th mountain divs now in Kirkenes-Petsamo area but so far as known no repeat no tanks that area. Comment: some speculation in wo whether above movement additional troops and presence tics does not mean Germs fear allied attck Norway rather than Germs prep for attck Murmansk.

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From Lisbon
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No 341 May 18

Polish General Anders told Solborg in London that General Zukov intends defend Moscow at any cost as German conquest of city is supposed to be Japs condition before attacking Russia Anders returned Russia Poles believe that Jap German war plans are coordinated.

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From: London
To: Milid
No. 2637 May 18, 1942

WO reports German 23rd Armored Div in action around Kharkov: New Div recently formed in France making 1st appearance and not held for eventual offensive.

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From: Basrah
To: AMSIR
No. 248 AMSIR, May 17, 1942.

Item 1 additional trucks will assist to RT clearance. Refer to my 245. Ahwaz or Andimeshk north to Dghulfa or Teheran truck route now in operation which can be exploited. Bushire route also in use but is long and difficult. Small quantity of cargo now moving via Baghdad being trucked to Russia from Khamiqa. Believe this route can be used more intensively.

Item 2 reconnaissance report just received indicates Russian traffic mainly jute and shellac now flowing through Karachi, Zahauan and Meshed to Ashkhabad railhead. This road now difficult is being improved. Understand Russians do not favor its use. It is logical for cargo wanted east of Caspian and should be exploited assembly of necessary vehicles at Karachi would be advantageous if facilities suffice.

Item 3 UKCC uses Persian drivers these now scarce and unreliable. Sovite now providing all drivers from Andimeshk and part from Bushire plants. Believe Sovite can and should be chief reliance for drivers.

Item 4 use of addition Tup plants for Persian Gulf discussed with 10th Army and joint recommendation is for 1 plant to reinforce Andimeshk with 2nd plant at Rafaqiah 25 miles southwest of Basra to serve British and other requirements.

I will advise further when 10th Army receives necessary sanction from Mideast. This answers your (+ #1)77. SPPLIN.

Item 5 Rafaqiah is served by Basra port now

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receiving low percentage of Russian cargo trucks assembled there useful for truck haul out of Khani-quin or could be routed to Ahwaz to forward barged cargo northwards from that point.

Road south of Basra via Iraq or Persia not repeat not dependable for heavy traffic at present but can be used for light convoys in dry weather

Item 6 gravity rollers mentioned in your 177 should be left with plant my 196 refers to 2 mechanical conveyors for assembly lines different from and additional to gravity rollers.

Suggest contact New York Office General Motors for details given in Zduneck telegram Number 108 to General Motors dated May 5.

Item 7 believe Andimeshk contract should be drawn in Washington have cabled Zdunk for conference to establish provisions and will advise you.

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(* #1) came your xme seven seven. Service Will Be Made On Request.


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From: Moscow
To: Millid

No 16 May 16th, 1942

Have taken up air route data. Little hope for success regarding Southern Route since Soviet states they can fly in all planes which can be delivered to Basra. Polar cap route not favorably received but not rejected. Alaska Siberia route received this time with interest and will be considered Soviet Liaison Officer asked if Soviet may receive planes at Nome. Soviet wants to avoid United States pilots flying over their territory. I have used lack of shipping as pressing reason to open air route thereby allowing more shipping space for tanks.

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Additional units identified on front 385th German Infantry Divisions, 200th Magyar Division Briansk. Estimated Germans losses 175 planes 100 tanks estimated Soviets losses 180 planes.

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No. 15, May 16th, 1942

Soviets claim Germans numerical at Kerch where undoubtedly determined offensive under way. Czechs mission states that Germans have prepared heavy pontoon bridges to cross strait. Offensive subject to Rostov probably dependent on Kerch progress. Kharkov action local Soviets counter attack otherwise front quiet. Soviets give impression they are waiting. Rail travelers from Saku state no movement of troops noted enroute. Fairly continuous rain last few days and ground still muddy. 3 ex-German planes M 19 F, J 87, J 88 now enroute Archangel for shipment to United States. See Moscow Embassy cablegram no. 160 15th.

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From: Embassy London
To: Washington DC
No. 2624 May 15th, 1942

War Office to McFarland 15th May "reliable and neutral sources report Germans intend undertake combined operation against Rybachi and eventually Murmansk. No time given" own estimate 30 days.

Mis-control.

Jic substantially agrees practicable. Evidenced by staging Naval Craft Northward, move of some 63,000 troops to Norway past few weeks although some for replacements and Coastal, about 300 operational planes within supporting distance available for Coafar umbrella, intensive training of the Mountain Divisions that Area.

Personal estimate Romel May attack near future conjunction Air support from Crete to Counter anticipated Brit drive.

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The War Department should be informed regarding the following reports received by the Military Attaché from a reliable source on the General Staff.

The first Russian communiqué regarding the use of gas mentioned above producing effects of the gas used by the Germans but there were definite details available regarding the gas. One local attack has been described, however, by a Swedish volunteer who has just returned from service with an SS division. He said that a smoke screen was laid down before the attack, his unit being held back. When his unit advanced after the smoke had cleared away he saw large numbers of Russians who were apparently dead and the unit encountered little resistance. Three hours later his unit was driven back by a counter attack made by the Russians near the Russians mentioned above were seen. It is concluded by Swedish intelligence that the Germans may be using some gas which has a temporarily stupefying effect and they believe the story told by the Swedish volunteer.

The German attack on the Karpuk Peninsula is considered a local action in preparation for a general offensive. It is indicated by reports that the first Russian lines were broken but that the Germans were then checked.

According to a study recently made by the Finnish staff, the strength of the Leningrad garrison is believed to have increased, the new units being made up of laborers who were already in the city. The Finnish estimate of supplies sent into Leningrad during the winter months is greater than that which the Soviets believed to be possible. The Finnish estimate that about one and one-half million people were evacuated during the winter from Leningrad over the ice at Lake Ladoga out of a total of four million in the Leningrad area when it was first encircled. The above total of four million includes soldiers. Finnish press reports and communiques continue to exaggerate the size of military operations near Leningrad. These military operations are only of local nature.

The main German drive is not expected to start before the last week in May. The Germans continue to concentrate forces in the area west of the Neva River.
From: Ams Embassay London
To: Milid

No. 2927, May 14, 1942

To date NO has very little positive INFO on present OPENS Kersch Peninsula but from what available do not repeat do not accept Kursk claims in TOPO. However NO does believe Germans having considerable success their NTH flank on Peninsula and some success along whole line. Also consider Germans have considerable advantage in both cases available and ability of maneuver. While Brit do not definitely consider the Kersch Ope as start of continuing Germa Spring offensive do consider clearing Kersch as necessary preliminary to expected all out Germa offensive and possibility Germa jumping off from Kersch for drive along NTH where sea of Azof. Confirmed that Russ has launched attack toward Kharkov but scale attack not known here.

Best info here shows Germa now have total 182 Diva. on Russ front. Of these either 11 or 15 are Crises. 38 Kursk to Taganrog Leaving 131 NTH of Kursk and believed some 70 are on east front and strongest west of Moscow. This belief strengthened by Poles here who have late Info direct from Russia where Polish Rep gives by. Gen Suhov about some
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To:    Milid
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figures Ref Moscow from T and also that if atckd Moscow
would be defended to last man.

Against above estimated Russ have Murmansk to Toropets
58 Inf 1 Cav Divs and 12 tanks Bgdes known and believed
probably have additional 16 Inf Divs. Toropets to Kursk 49
Inf 10m Cal Divs and 25 tank Bgdes known and believed have
in addition 24 Inf and 1 Cav Divs. For figures Russ Kursk
5th to include Crimea see our 2603. Russ also known to have
in war zone but not now located 8 more Inf Divs and probably
have also but unlocated 6 Inf and 6 Cav Divs.

Above figs plus those previously sent by our 2603
give grand totals Russ. War zone: 108 Inf 22 Cav Divs and
50 Tnk Bgdes known and 73 Inf 13 Cav Divs believed probable/

Above figs Germ stgth do not repeat not include Axis
Divs with Germs sent you 13th.

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From: London
To: NILID

No. 2003 May 13, 1942

There is no repeat no confirmed info here on op婚s Kerch peninsula Crimea but inf rcess considered reliable that Germans have succeeded short advance their nth flank but held or repulsed by Russ balance line.

Following is NO best estimate opposing foes now Crimea exclusive of Sevastopol garrison which is 5 Inf Dvks: Russ foe known: 1 Inf Div 2 tank Bgdes. Probably also there 2 Inf Divs 2 Cav Divs. Total known and probable 3 Inf Divs 2 Cav Divs 2 Tank Bgdes all on Kerch peninsula.

Germ foes Crimea: 11th Army consisting 1 Arm Div 2 Light Divs and either 6 or 12 Inf Divs also 3 Romanian Inf Divs.

Following best estimate opposing foes southern front from Euri to Taganrog inclusive: Russ known 37 Inf Divs 11 Cav Divs 11 Tank Bgdes. Probably in addition but not verified 24 Inf Divs 4 Cav Divs. Total known and probable 61 Inf Divs 15 Cav Divs 11 Tank Bgdes.

Germ southern front: 2nd, 6th and 17th Armies and 1st Panzer army consisting in all 4 Arm Divs 1 Mtd Arm Div 3 Light Divs 25 Inf Divs 2 Mountain Divs total 38 Divs also 7 Romanian Divs 2 Hungarian Divs 3 Woj Divs 1 Slovak Div.

Total other than Germ 13 Divs grand total 51 Divs.

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BRITISH INTELLIGENCE RECEIVED FOLLOWING FROM NEUTRAL MILITARY ATTACHE USUALLY WELL INFORMED. THE MAIN GERMAN ATTACK IN RUSSIA WILL BE DIRECTED ON STALINGRAD AND ROSTOV. GENERAL KUCHLER WILL COMMAND NORTHERN GENERAL CLUGE CENTRAL AND MARSHAL SOKOLOV SOUTHERN SECTOR. MARSHAL VON KLEIST WILL BE GIVEN SPECIAL COMMAND. GENERAL JACOBICHT WILL COMMAND A GROUP OF RUMANIAN ARMIES IN SPRING OFFENSIVE. APPOINTMENT IS AT GERMAN INSTIGATION. GROUP WILL INCLUDE 3RD ARMY UNDER GENERAL DUMITRESCU AND 4TH ARMY UNDER GENERAL CONSTANTINESCU COMMAND NOW IN PROCESS OF BEING FORMED. GENERAL TATARIANU NOW DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF TO BE CHIEF OF STAFF TO GENERAL JACOBICH WHO WILL BE AT NICOLAEV. HUNGARIAN MIL ATTACHE AT ANKARA HAS STATED THAT FOUR ITALIAN DIVISIONS WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM CROATIA TO THE RUSSIAN FRONT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY HUNGARIAN DIVISIONS.

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