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Joint announcement by

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KING MORNING DESPATCH THREE... SOVIET FORCES HAVE MADE NEW ADVANCE ON VORONEZH FRONT AND HAVE REACHED POINT ONLY SEVENTY FIVE MILES FROM GREAT SOUTHRUSSIAN GERMAN BASE OF KURSK, THEY HAVE CUT MAIN MOSCOW HYPHEN TAGANROG RAILWAY TWENTYFIVE MILES SOUTH OF KEY JUNCTIO N OF MASTORNAYA, IN CAUCASUS SOUTHERN WING OF GENERAL MASLENIKOVS ARMY IS NOW CLOSING IN FROM THREE DIRECTIONS ON KROPOTKIN THE JUNCTION FORTY MILES SOUTH OF TIKSORETSK. AT ONE POINT THEY ARE ONLY SEIGHTEEN MILES AWAY,

TOJO....TOKYO;RADIO TODAY BROADCAST SPEECH OF JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TOJO IN JAPANESE DIET IN WHICH HE SAID QUOTE JAPAN IN STILL CLOSER COOPERATION WITH HER ALLIES WILL CONDUCT OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS UNTIL UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN ARE FORCED GIVE IN SOUTHERN AREAS WORLDS GREATEST TRASURE HOUSE ARE FIRMLY IN OUR HANDS UNQUOTE GENERAL TOJO ADDED QUOTE OUR NUMEROUS AIR BASES GUARDING VAST REGIONS GREATER EAST ASIA AREAS WHICH CONTAIN NATURAL RESOURCES ABSOLUTELY INDISPENSABLE FOR WAR ARE BEING ENLARGED DAY BY DAY, OUR DISPOSITIONS FOR BOTH OFFENSIVE AND DEFENCE BEEN COMPL ETED, THUS IN FIRST YEAR WAR OUR EMPIRE HAS LAID FOUNDATIONS FOR CERTAIN VICTORY.

KING MORNING DISPATCH FOUR.. SOVIET GUERIALLS IN OREL REGION HAVE WRECKED GERMAN MILITARY TRAIN AND RAIDED GARRISON KILLING ABOUT TWO HUNDRED GERMANS. SOVIET TANKS IN NIGHT RAID CROSSED FROZEN RIVER STORMED RAILWAY STATION ON KURSK HYPHEN ROSTOV LINE KILLING ABOUT HUNDRED GERMANS AND BLEW UP LARGE STRETCH OF LINE BEFORE RETURNING WITHOUT LOSS.

TOJO...WE NO LONGER A SUBQUOTE HAVE NOT UNSUBQUOTE NATION ,UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN WHICH BOASTED WEALTH OF THEIR RESOURCES BEFORE WAR ARE NOW FACING GREAT SHORTAGES VITAL WAR MATERIAL, FOR THIS REASON THEY ARE IN DSPERATE MOOD AND READY COME OUT FOR DECISIO BATTLE EVEN IF THEY HAVE RISK STRATGIC DISADAVANTAGES, OF COURSE WE SHALL NOW HAVE MAKE GREAT EFFORTS IF OUR NEW RESOURCES ARE DEMONST RATE THEIR REAL WORTH, BRITAIN AND AMERICA RELYING SOLELEY ON THEIR INDUSTRIAL ABILITY ARE FEVERISHLY ENDEAVORING RECOUP THEIR IMPAIRED FIGHTING STRENGTH AND ARE ALREADY ATTEMPTING TAKE COUNTER OFFENSIVE WE SHOULD NOT BE OFF OUR GUARD AGAINST THESE BUT IT SITUATION WHICH WE CAN EXPLOINT. THIS YEAR MAY BE CALLED PERIOD DECISIVE BATTLES IN WHICH WE MUST ADD STILL MORE TO SERIS GREAT VICTORIES WE HAVE ACHIEVED UNQUOTE TOJO ANNOUNCED THAT JAPAN INTENDS THIS YEAR QUOTE TO RECOGNISE BURMESE STATE UNQUOTE, INDIA HE SAID QWAS STILL QUOTE OPPRESSED UNBLIEVEABLY IN HER DEMAND FOR FREEDOM . JAPAN IS READY AT ANY TIME GIVE PEOPLE INDIA ANY HELP THEY NEED UNQUOTE

GIRAUD...MOROCCO RADIO NOW REVEALED GIRAUD ATTENDING BY INVITATION CONFERENCE ALLIED MILITARY CHIEFS STAFF AT CASABLANCA ON JANUARY NINETEENTH EMBARKED AT ONCE UPON TERSE SIMPLE EXPLANATION CATASTA - PHY WHICH BEFEL FRANCE JUNE 1940 QUOTE BUT FOR TWO YEARS NOW FRANCE BEEN SHOWING HER DETERMINATION CONTINUE WAR UNQUOTE HE AFFIRME D, GIRAUD FINISHED HIS STATEMENT WITH SURVEY MILITARY SITUATION NORTHAFRICA, ALLIED GENERALS SPONTANEOUSLY APPLAUDED HIM ,ON FRIDAY DEGAULLE MISSION ARRIVED CASABLANCA AND TWO GENERALS MET FOR LUNCHEON WHICH TOOK PLACE IN VERY CORDIAL ATMOSPHERE. IN AFTERNOON SAME DAY GIRAUD CONFERRED WITH GENERAL NOGUES AND GENERAL DEGAULLE WAS RECEIVE D BY ROOSEVELT, WHOLE SATURDAY WAS PASSED IN CONFERENCE BETWEEN TWO GENERALS AND THEIR COLLABORATORS. THEIR AIM WAS ACHIEVE UNION ALL FIGHTING FRENCHMEN,

ALGIERS RADIO BROADCAST TODAYS COMMUNIQUE FROM ALLIED HEADQUARTERS NORTHAFRICA AS FOLLOWS QUOTE ACTIVITY ON TUNISIAN FRONT WAS CONFINEI TO PATROLLING LIGHT BOMBERS AND FIGHTERS ATTACKED ENEMY GROUND TARGETS. ON NIGHTS OF JANUARY TWENTYSIXTH AND TWENTYSEVENTH OBJECTI VES AT BIZERTA, WERE ATTACKED BY BOMBERS. TUNISIA ... YESTERDAY TWO ENEMY DESTROYERS WERE BOMBED BETWEEN TUNISIA AND SICILY, ONE OF THESE WAS LEFT ON FIRE, FROM THESE OPERATIONS ONE OF OUR AIRCRAFT IS MISSING. ADDITIONAL REPORTS SHOW THAT IN ATTACK ON ALGIERS ON NIGHT OF JANUARY TWENTYSIXTH TWENTYSEVENTH FOUR MORE ENEMY BOMBERS WERE DESTROYED MAKING SIX IN ALL THAT NIGHT UNQUOTE.

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WOMANPOWER...LONDON:- NEW MEASURES TO ENSURE FULLEST POSSIBLE USE OF MAN AND WOMAN POWER ARE TO BE ENFORCED IMMEDIATELY INCLUDING COMPUL= SORY WORK FOR MAJORITY OF THOSE MARRIED WOMEN WHO HAVE NO CHILDREN ANNOUNCING THIS IN COMMONS TODAY MINISTER OF LABOR ERNEST BEVIN, SAID THREE NEW RULES ARE TO BE ENFORCED FORTHWITH FIRST UNDER CONTROL OF ENGAGEMENTS ORDER ALL VACANCIES FOR WOMEN WORKERS BETWEEN AGES EIGHTEEN AND FORTY MUST BE FILLED THROUGH EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGES THIS RAISES AGE OF CONTROL FOR WOMEN FROM THIRTY TO FORTY AND IS INTENDED TO ENSURE EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN IN MOST NECESSARY WORK, SECOND NEW MEASURE TO PREVENT WAR WORKERS LEAVING THEIR JOBS WITHOUT PROPER RESON, THIRD WIDER USE OF POWERS TO DIRECT MEN AND WOMEN INTO WORK OTHER THAN ESSENTIAL WAR INDUSTR IES INCLUDING POW R TO ENFORCE PARTTIME WORK, BEVIN SAID LATTER PROVISION BROADLY SPEAKING MEANT COMPULSORY PARTTIME WORK FOR MAJORITY OF MARRIED WOMEN WITHOUT YOUNG CHILDREN.

BLASH...GERMAN RADIO ANNOUNCED THERE BE NO SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION ON SATURDAY TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF HITLERS RISE TO POWER.

IN LATER CABLES HAROLD KING SAID SOVIET GUERIALLS IN ROSTOV PROVINC E HAVE LAUNCHED OFFENSIVE FROM REAR AGAINST RETREATING GERMANS AND RUMANIANS. IN ONE ACTION THEY KILLED ONE TWO ZERO OF ENEMY AND TOOK THREE EIGHT ZERO PRISONERS.

COPY of longhand statement (in the President's handwriting)

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