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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: New Delhi
To: Agwar

No Aquila 210 April 6, 1942

One bombardment squadron 10th US Air Force executed its second mission on April third against docks and warehouses at Rangoon 6 airplanes participated. 30 incendiaries and 40-500 pound bombs were dropped in a night attack hits were made on docks and warehouses causing damage to both. 3 big fires started estimate of damage 11-500 pound bombs hit docks light antiaircraft fire encountered but received no damage. No enemy pursuit observed. 1B-17-E lost returning from mission crew bailed out all down safely. Cause unknown.

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From: Port of Spain
To: G-2

No. TBC 107, April 6th, 1942

Daily report for 1200 hours GCT April 6th: intercepted radio (by Mob Trinidad) states SS Catahoulu torpedoed 2100 hours GCT April 5th at lat 19 deg 38 min north dash long sixth 8 deg 29 min west. British navy Trinidad intercepted radio at 0050 hours GCT today stating submarine sighted by vessel at long 71 deg 15 min west, lat 38 deg 37 min north at 1811 hours GCT 5th. Enemy capabilities: continued submarine attacks against United Nations shipping and upon military and naval installations Trinidad sector. No bombs dropped from U. S. planes 5th.

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From: ACNB MELBOURNE (N) (SEC) 2911 TG-061316-2

In the KOEPANG area at 1640 EWT, April 4 four bombs were dropped near 14 flyingboats at anchorage. No shipping was sighted and no damage observed. There was fairly accurate, intensive light and medium A.A. fire. 7 T-96 heavy-bombers and 7 Zero-fighters raided DARWIN AIRDRONE at 2159 EWT, April 4, effecting slight damage to runway. In a previously reported raid by T-96 heavy-bombers on DARWIN, 5 enemy bombers were positively destroyed. 7-T-96 heavy-bombers and about 5 Zero-fighters raided PORT MORESBY AIRDRONES and motor-transport line at 2125 EWT, April 4. Some gasoline destroyed, no damage to runways and one enemy fighter shot down and one seriously damaged. On April 5 there was major air-reconnaissance of coastal areas NE of PORT MORESBY. At 2220 EWT, April 4 unidentified aircraft reported over DERBY AIRDRONE. In the BUKA PASSAGE area no air activity reported but there was increased enemy naval and military operations. April 4 photographs of a portion of RABAUH HARBOR show 2 destroyers, 9 T-97 flying-boats, 16 small vessels, 11 merchant ships, and 3 blast-shelters for fighters.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Cairo
To : MILID

No. 949, April 4th, 1942

As result of the loss of many vehicles in battles, particularly tanks, British Army in Lybya is now making special provisions in their unit maintenance for battle field rescue of disabled vehicles. Vehicles provided for 1 armored division in last campaign totaled 34 and consisted of 730-ton tractors, 720-ton, 20 semi-trailers. This number of rescued vehicles is insufficient for division and armored recovery vehicles are to be added. From Scott please relay to Devers.

From my talk with our own observer here and many British Officers I am convinced that the maintenance setup in our armored division is far superior to that existing in British Divisions at time of Libyan campaign and that very little modification is needed in our organizations to provide effective vehicular rescue work with the division. The principle changes required are to provide both our regimental maintenance and our divisional maintenance with sufficient tanks for this use. Unarmored vehicles, trailers, and tractors for this use on the battle field are not effective due to vulnerability and the introduction of additional types of vehicles into the division complicates its maintenance and operation. The great majority of disabled vehicles, especially tanks, can be towed from the battle field by another tank and the principle use of the trailers is to send disabled vehicles considerable distances back to

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4th Echelon maintenance. It is pertinent to note here that German battle field rescue of disabled vehicles was much more effective than British and that Germans made use of the modified tanks almost entirely in this work.

In view of foregoing I recommend following set up for our armored division in handling vehicles disabled on the battle field: A. Addition of 9 tanks to the Regimental maintenance companies, that is 3 for each battalion section B. Addition of 9 tanks to the division maintenance battalion C. retention of all wreckers now set up in the division. Note: all tanks used for this work should be provided with short drawing bar rings; chains and cables are not suitable. Power winch on rescue tanks desirable.

As semi trailers are used principally to evacuate disabled vehicles from the division ordnance park back to 4th Echelon I recommend that a company of 18 trailers for each division be provided as Corps or Army Troops. 30-ton trailers with a Mack tractor is suitable for this purpose.

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From: Australia

To: Adjutant General

No Ag 72 April 6th 1942.

Status report week ending April 6th. Cite Cn dash. Personnel strength report, officers 2719, warrant officers 18, nurses 121, enlisted 32499. Principal units, location and duty on which engaged. Ground units. 147th FA. 148th FA less 1 battery, 102nd Sep bn (AA), defense of Darwin area. 197th CA (AA), defense of Perth area. 101st Sep Bn (AA), 104th Sep Bn (AA), 94th CA (AA), 40th Brig hq and hq btry defense of Brisbane area. 41st Brig hq and hq btry, administrative USAFIA. Air units. 8th pursuit group, 22nd bomb group, combat duties in Brisbane area. 3rd bomb group combat duties in Townsville area. 38th bomb group training in Ballart. 35th pursuit group, 49th pursuit group travelling to tactical positions. Aircraft by type, under erection, in commission, under repair respectively: P-30, 21, 45, 20; P-40, 4, 62, 26; P-400, 6, 74, 8; A-20, 0, 3, 0; A-24, 0, 22, 20; B-17, 0, 8, 21; B-25, 0, 8, 6; B-26, 0, 31, 2; LB-30, 0, 1, 3; O-47, 0, 8, 2; Brewster, 13, 0, 0; Air transport, 0, 14, 5; Curtiss Falcon, 12, 0, 0. Artillery, number of guns and type respectively, field artillery, 28 field pieces 75MM, 12 at guns 87MM, 28 machine guns AA 50 Cal, Coast Artillery (AA) 48A1 guns 3 inch, 324 machine guns AA 50 Cal, 9 AA guns 37 MM. Principal ammunition stocks on hand. Cal 30 all types 13, 338, 964; Cal 30 all types 13, 338, , 964; Cal 45 all types 661, 679; Cal 50 all types 4, 463, 674; 20MM all types 38, 600; 37MM all types 134, 277; 75MM all types 39, 927; 3 inch AA all types 36, 083; 100 Lb bombs 1, 998; 300 Lb bombs 4, 811; 500 Lb bombs 6, 623; 600 Lb bombs 4; 1000 Lb bombs 1, 573; 2000 Lb bombs 378; 20 Lb fragmentation bombs 3, 414; incendiary clusters 1, 030. Gasoline stocks on hand. (100 octane American and Blended Ne1 and American reported same category per radiogram 633 12th March from Agwar) 8, 584, 00. Steamship arrivals, "Manukai, Robert Grey Carolinian, William Clarke" from United States, "Monterey" from Fremantle. Departures "Robert Grey" For Poppy, "Monterey" for United States. Reported to Maritime Commission, none

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Cairo
To : MILID

No. 952, April 6th, 1942

Conversation with Air Marshal Tedder discloses he considers Roumanian oil most important strategic target of war, an especially worthy target this period. He would attack it as major objective were suitable for air craft available. Has been endeavoring to secure 3 squadrons of heavy bombers from England. RAF staff of Middle East has made full study of this problem, have had detailed plan for month. Bombs available here, American bombs believed en route. Airdrome Western Desert south of Fuka offers amply suitable bases.

Shall forward as obtained complete data requested your 791.

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From: Ft Mills
To: Agwar

No 728 April 7th 1942.

I hope Your Excellency will accept the thanks of my Filipino and American troops as well as my own for your message of congratulations of April 6th. The enemy is pressing us heavily on Bataan but we are still fighting. Your gracious message has been published to my commands. For President Roosevelt

Wainwright

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From: Ft. Shafter
To: The Adjutant General

No. 3211, April 6, 1942

SPINR strength Hawaiian department March 31, '42, midnight
air forces off 980, WO 72 enl men 7869 ground forces off 3109
WO 149 enl men 60145. Pacific Bases Fiji air forces off 61
enl men 577 ground forces none Christmas air forces off 47
enl men 266 ground forces off 71 enl men 1659 Canton air forces
off 2 enl men 35 ground forces off 51 enl men 1230. No figures
available from Bora Bora.

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From: London
To : Milid

No. 2337, April 6, 1942

Summary estimate situation by Alexander cabled by Wavell to COS 4th April in response COS request 31st March. No indication transmission to War Dept.

"Jap object: 1st, occupy oilfields to deny our use, 2nd, cut road communications between India and China by advance to Mandalay cutting Kalewa Road and ultimately to Myitkyina cutting northerly road. Possibly advance to Lashio securing airdrome, if so, flank protection provided by occupation Shwebo area. Great distance and fact Northerly Road not completed for many months makes attempt on Myitkyina doubtful.

Japs probably attempt simultaneous advance via Prome and Toungoo routes with secondary advances by Kentung or Mong (1 group missing possibly pai or pan) or both.

Gradual northward withdrawal seems inevitable for weak allied forces who lack air support particularly owing Jap possibility reinforcements via Rangoon.

Allies will cover Mandalay as long as possible. If forces have to withdraw further following plan under consideration. Corps hdqrs, arm'd brig, one inf brig of 4 bns withdraw on Lashio acting as rear guard to Chinese armies. Remainder of force to area Chindwin Valley-Shwebo to cover Kalewa approach to India, to operate on flank Jap Lashio advance. Former force might withdraw into China involving supply by air due to famine conditions Yunnan, or to Bhamo area where they would threaten Jap advance into China. Portion latter force might also withdraw via Kalewa into India. From Bhamo connection with India by routes under construction from Lado."

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No. 2337, April 6, 1942

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Wavell accepts estimate in principal and has instructed Alex to make necessary administrative preparations. Eventual decision depending largely on situation at time.

Maximum use being made of air transport for replacements but only small numbers can be carried. Arrival of DC aircraft from Middle East will improve situation. One inf brig group from Abbotabad concentrating at Imohal by May 1 may be moved into Burma if situation makes desirable.

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From: Western Defense Command
To : M I S G-2

No. 86, April 6, 1942

All agencies investigating fire at magnesium bomb plant of Western Stove Works of San Bernardino, Calif. 3 April agree that cause not due to sabotage. Damage approximately \$30,000 to plant and equipment. This is our periodic 286 12 noon PWT 6 April. Nothing further to report.

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From: **INCOMING MESSAGE**
To:

No. 510 April 6, 1942

For today's report info from 10th Naval Dist 4th Apr indicates Admiral Robert denies activities St Barthelemy Mr Sheehan US Vice Consul Martinique will visit Island St Barthelemy Apr 6th Navy sea plane returning thru PR new subject SS Cataboula reported approx 2137 GMT 5th Apr position 19 degrees 21 min north 58 degrees 27 min west 3 lifeboats reported sighted by patrol planes.

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From: Chungking
To: Adjutant General for Ammisca

See #336 Ammisca dated April 4th 1942 Beginning
"your 343 Review our" Etc.

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From: EDC

To: Mins G-2

No. 5 EDC Sixth

Noon GMT 6 April submarine activity submarines sighted
1 off Cape Lookout, 1 off Cape Hatteras; 1 off Ocean City
MD reported by PanAmerican Clipper. Attacks on shipping
1 on tanker off Cape Lookout NH, Last reported torpedoed
but still afloat and partially manned, proceeding under her
own power, 1 man lost 1 injured. Elsewhere than off EDC
SS Cata Houla reported torpedoed off Northeast Coast of
Hispaniola

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From: Nfld Base Command
To: G-2

No. 84 DD, April 6th, 1942

Intelligence daily report number 22 at 0105 GMT April 5th SS Rhode Island reported strange white light at 3415 North *650 West. American SS Matsonia Radio cl rpt Radio call letters WHCE reported torpedoed and on fire at 3617 North 7536 West at 0305 GMT April 5th. Sub sighted at 0920 GMT by Mupromftheus (Probable Radio call letters SYF 1) at 1310 North 6931 West. Radio Sayville broadcast message April 5th that Sub sighted 3540 North 6905 West at 1302 GMT 5th. 1642 GMT American American MV Petro-Fuel broadcast "sighted visibly burning evidently torpedoed at 3616 North 75*2 West" at 181* GMT Radio William Baker Fox reported Sub sighted at 383* North 7115 West

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From: Indigo
To: G-2

No. 64, April 6th, 1942

Report number 28. Enemy Troops in Norway
unchanged. April 6. Enemy capabilities same

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From: EDC
To: G-2

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No. 02 EDC. April 6th, 1942

Investigation of items mentioned in your message of March 5 indicates following. Reports of flares seen came from Watch Hill Rhode Island to Old Orchard Beach Maine between 950 and 1010 EWT. Conference today Sector Commander, Navy, FBI, Corps Area G-2 investigation disclosed 14 flares seen source type purpose yet unknown report awaiting interviews with observers, completion report expected later today. Previous reports of flares disclosed innocent origin, timing of these reports indicates otherwise. Item re submarine sighted at New River inlet at naught (*) four three GMT was reported to your office about 0448 GMT, patrols and small boats investigated Ft Fisher and Marine Base blacked out, no further incident. Concerning light flashes near New River inlet at naught six (*) five GMT 3 Coast Guard boats and a B-18 sent to investigate with negative results. The firing by Army sentry near Westerly Rhode Island now being investigated by Sector Commander, this item only one in your message not known promptly at this headquarters it was reported late. Items of flares seen Fort Banks and Fort Adams a part of 14 flares mentioned above. Vessel reporting seeing floating white light probably SS Rhode Island reporting flashing strange white light from Cape Lookout, this intercepted message was received and transmitted to Southern Sector and to ESP, return message originating Beaufort indicated light to be a flashing buoy. Heavy explosions at sea near Foley Beach was reported from several sources, Navy states explosions were 15 miles out at sea and of no importance therefore it was assumed due to friendly action possibly depth charges on sound contact. Concerning Army Lookout Station near Charleston seeing strong beam white light, this investigated at time by combat team detachment and believed to be moving automobile headlights. The greenish blue light possibly that reported 0333 GMT near Beaufort Inlet evaluated by Navy at first to be a buoy but later investigation by two inshore patrol officers found no light at location and today's information is it was

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possibly due to enemy activity. The report about landing of enemy agents entirely due to confusion resulting from paraphrased retransmission of coded message directing precautions to prevent such landings. All above incidents but exception noted were known to this office promptly and General Staff here has knowledge of these reports. Every effort is made in conjunction with Eastern sea frontier to check evaluate and filter out the considerable volume of rumors and alarms prior to transmission of items to your office as concerning enemy activities.

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From: London
To: Millid

No. 2328. April 8th, 1942

Burma repts no substantial changes Irrawaddy or Toungoo fronts since our 2322. Brit troops constantly dive bomb and a guard. Many in concentrating troops and a t on west bank of Irrawaddy River against which Brit art active.

Jap air atck Ceylon started 8 hours GMT 5th was directed at Colombo Harbor and Ratmalana airdrome 4 mi from city. About 75 carrier borne acft mostly Navy 0 fighters equipd with bombs employed. Jap losses 25 certain destyd, 5 probably destyd and many more, probably about 25, seriously danged. Brit lost 22 acft but some personnel saved. One Brit cruiser total loss and 1 armed merchantman set on fire. Serious damage to harbor workshops. Civil defence service and civil population stood up well. Many naval force reptyd as 2 battleships, 3 cruisers and number destroyers sighted early AM 5th point 120 mi sth Ceylon and Brit acft sent to atck but failed locate due poor visibility. Air recon continues but intentions naval force not determined at last rept from Ceylon.

2 atcks on shipping by enemy bombs off Hoogly Delta, sth of Calcutta, on 3rd.

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From: FortMills
To: Adjutant General

No. 716 Sixth

Strong hostile force supported by heavy artillery fire and dive bombers continued attack on our position on Bataan this Morning. Fierce fighting now in progress as our troops put up stubborn resistance. Some additional gains made by the enemy although at great cost to him. Hostile artillery on barges again harassed beach defense positions during the night on the East coast of Bataan. Our artillery fired on barges and fell short of beach defense positions. No bombs were dropped on Corregidor during past 24 hours. Hostile Air Corps heavily bombed front lines and rear areas in Bataan. 1 dive bomber shot down and 1 Antiaircraft Artillery Battery. No RPT no change in Visayan or Mindanao areas

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From: FtMills Pi
To: Adjutant General

No. 716 Being Reserviced Sixth

Strong Hostile force supported by heavy Artillery fire and Dive bombers continued attack on our position on Bataan this morning. Fierce fighting now in progress as our troops put up stubborn resistance. Some additional gains made by the enemy although at great cost to him. Hostile Artillery on barges again harassed beach defense positions during the Night on the East Coast of Bataan. Our Artillery fired on barges and held them so far off shore that hostile fire fell short of beach defense positions. No bombs were dropped on Corregidor during past 24 hours. Hostile Air Corps heavily bombed front lines and rear areas in Bataan. 1 Dive Bomber shot down and 1 Amphibian destroyed on the water by horizontal fire from Antiaircraft Artillery Battery. No RPT no change in Visayan or Mindanao areas

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To **COMMANDING GENERAL**
U. S. FORCES IN THE PHILIPPINES: WDOPD

No. 1314

From the President to General Wainwright.
Congratulations on knocking out another whole-
sale Jap assault. Please inform our Philippino
and American soldiers for me that their fight-
ing example is an inspiration to all of us.
Franklin D. Roosevelt

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From: ACCRA
To : MILID

No. 35, April 4th, 1942

Vichy French situations. Contre Admiral Landffau head of Vichy Navy at Dakar promoted to Vice Admiral and sent to France. He is pro-German Prime Minister Head of French Fleet and reported Pro-German. This move amounts to close cooperation with Germany. Lanyriaus job filled by Contre Admiral Collinet Pro Vichy German attitude unknown.

New movements taking place in Vichy Forces with General Barrau Commander in Chief of all French African Forces taking leave to France. Barrau is Pro Vichy but believed to be Pro Allied. Generally believed that Falvy will be appointed to assume the command and that Barrau will not be returned. General Falvy was released from a German prison with understanding that he would support the German Government and was put in charge of the Niger Colony. Falvy reported to be Pro German.

Wasson American Consul General at Dakar stated that General Gama Head of Vichy French Air Force in French West Africa has Pro German feelings and that Gama expressed his opinion that Germany would be victorious in the war.

Wasson stated Boisson Governor at Dakar believe to be Anti German but also Anti Free French and Anti British.

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Wasson said he knew products were going from French West Africa to Germany including all fatty products such as ground nuts palm oil etc. Wasson estimated the Pro Vichy Armed Forces to be 80000. Free French Intelligence estimate 45000 but believe that is underestimating and that 65000 is nearer correct with 25000 European troops included.

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Commanding General
Indigo

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British have mention possibility of general strike in Indigo involving 3000 unskilled workmen engaged on US and British projects. In such event British state they can furnish only small token force pioneer troops. State Dept does not favor sending US workmen because of repercussions and suggests that engineer troops be sent if necessary.

Request your opinion above matter as basis for planning.

Marshall ✓

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From: Chungking
To: The Adjutant General for Ammisca

No. 461 Ammisca, April 5th, 1942

Reurad 358 March 30 and Ammisca 438 April 1st
Wainwright reported April 4th that Batuan repeat
Batuan field and Cabcaban repeat Cabcaban field are
suitable for landing and take off of heavily loaded
air planes, that hundred octane gasoline is available.
He recommends no repeat no night operations and states
that landing would have to be made at dawn or dusk.
Possibility of procurement in China of concentrated
foods being investigated.

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No. AG 31 April 5, 1942

Strength of US forces (Attention SPXMR) as of March 31 as follows ~~XXX~~ : Air Force; officers 1136, enlisted men 11632. (Cite AGS) Ground Forces; officers 1190 enlisted men 17765.

MacArthur

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: New Delhi
To : MILID

No. 47, April 2nd, 1942

Battle Order Ceylon to WGDBI Troops in Ceylon operate under GBO Ind Army and are 34th Ind Div with additional units, 64 Hvy and 64 Light AA guns, 16th Brigade from 70th British Div, 16th and 17th Australian Brigade Groups.

From 6th Aust Div and 21st East African Brig Group plus overhead units have been sent from India due to increased garrison.. Air Strength 1 Squadron Torpedo Planes 3 Squadrons Flying Boats 1 Squadron Coast Defence Planes 1 Squadron light bombers 3 Squadrons Fighters.

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From: Ft Shafter TH
To: Adjt Genl

No. 3198, April 5th, 1942

Commanding General 25th Division recommends selection Colonel Gilbert R Cook Infantry 03391 as Infantry Advisor for 25th Division and his promotion temporary Brigadier General vnio Brigadier General Brush relieved. I strongly recommend his selection and promotion. He has done an excellent job commanding 21st Infantry, is thoroughly familiar with the Islands and would make a splendid General Officer.

Emmons.

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From: Australia
To: Adjutant General

No. 51 Fifth

Strength of US forces (attention SPXMR) as of
March 31 as follows XXX: Air Force; Officers 1136,
enlisted men 11632. (cite AGS) Ground forces;
Officers 1190 enlisted men 177

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From: EDC
To : M18 G-2

No. 02EDC, April 5th, 1942

FBI phoned 1540 GMT April 4th that Washington Office had forwarded message that a phone call from Dr Lederer Hillsboro Md to a relative in NY urged leaving NY before Sunday because Sunday was the day. Interpreted by FBI as signifying knowledge of raid on NY today. 1st interceptor and antiaircraft command informed.

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From: OPNAV ROULLARD KOUIBYCHEV
For Action: COM 12 OPNAV

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From Japanese press sources here, photographs are about to be released to Associated Press thru Tass, revealing the extent of Pearl Harbor raid damage at Wake and the sinking of Repulse and Prince of Wales.

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From: Quarry Heights, CZ
To: The Adjutant General

No. 420, April 5th, 1942

Panama Canal department strength report March 31st:
Ground forces off 1,645 wo 41 em 33,719 air forces off
1,076 wo 1 em 13,427 Aruba Ground forces off 47 em 1,016
British Guiana Ground forces off 17 em 272 air forces off
25 em 187 Curacao Ground forces 53 em 1,113 Saint Lucia
Ground forces off 20 em 443 air forces off 23 em 174
Surinam Ground forces off 36 wo 3 em 629 air forces off
25 em 306 Trinidad Ground forces off 175 wo 1 em 2,869
air forces off 61 wo 1 em 2,082 Venezuela Ground forces
off 12 em 277 Peru Ground forces off 13 em 208.

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From: Fort Mills
To: AGWAR

No. 706, April 5, 1942

Enemy continued attack against the right-center of our line on Bataan endeavoring to take more Terrain. Heavy fighting followed but attack was stopped without any additional ground being gained by hostile force. Last night machine gun and 75 MM rpt MM fire from barges was directed against beach defenses. Barges were driven off by light artillery fire. Enemy casualties believed to be heavy from small arms fire and artillery. Dive bombers continued to be active against front line troops. Corregidor was free from aerial raids but a dive bombing attack was directed against Fort Frank in the morning and Fort Drum in the afternoon. The results were no casualties and no damage. In Mindanao no change in dispositions on all fronts. Patrolling active.

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From: New Delhi
To: G-2

No. 46, April 3, 1942

WDGSI for Col. Kroner essential to paraphrase this immediately to conceal source, also take prompt precautions against leakage. Herewith most secret British Milintell estimate possibilities Jap attack India. Estimate includes reservation, "This appreciation is merely to answer question how and when Jap could attack India and Ceylon, assuming this is her intention. In previous appreciations, we have expressed doubts as to whether either are included in Jap immediate objectives." Drafted March 11, issued March 23, after consultation with navy. Background information: Earlier estimates mention following possible influences on Jap policy: Japs fear war with Russia, hence necessity settle affairs with China early making army in China available: outcome European phase war will have profound effect on Japs ability to hold conquests: large scale attack on India will not help Germany against Russia, though will weaken England, will not help Japs against Russia and will not check American threat from Australia: with capture Burma oil fields and closing present Burma road Japs will strangle China life line force face saving victory China possibly through peace offer and with Pacific conquests will have acquired territory and resources sufficient war peace needs: further attempts conquer territory might be dangerous over extension, hence prudent policy hold gains and do only fighting necessary secure air and naval bases protection against attack and for interrupting allied efforts particularly while awaiting outcome European War. The possibility of such over extension due to feeling of invincibility is mentioned in estimates. Conclusions Japs will choose Australia objective first with possibly Ceylon next as base for control Allied sea lanes, but latter must be done quickly, possibly simultaneous with Australian effort. On reviewing earlier estimate Deputy Chief Staff remarked on January 21, "I would stress that attack on

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India as suggested is a very real possibility plans to deal with this problem must be made now and preparations pressed on." End background. Estimate proper is in 2 parts generally similar: first, supposed conclusions Jap combined staffs; second, those of Jap naval and air staffs. First concludes attack will be on broad front to extend defense and cause maximum internal security problem for British, main attack on northeast India with Max possible penetration Ganges Valley, attack India will be preceded by attack Ceylon will not be held up awaiting success Ceylon: excluding 2 divisions, 1 battalion tanks probably available through Burma against Assam Japs can produce first flight 6 divisions, second flight 3, third flight 2 divisions, 300 fighter, 300 bomber aircraft, and at considerable risk 4 out of 6 surviving aircraft carriers (note navy comment later, Osmun) wish 168th aircraft: Naval forces required 3 capital ships, 10 cruisers, 4 aircraft carriers, 24 destroyers, 16 submarines (see navy comment). Objectives Assam by land: Calcutta and Kharagpur by sea, landings first at Akyab Chittagong and Meghna River Sundarabands Balasore Area, bomber air support land based from Burma, fighter support first 2 operations from Burma Akyab and Chittagong, for Balasore from 1 aircraft carrier and air base to be established Chilca Lake Chicacole Area: Chilca Lake Chicacole Area: Ceylon forces needed 2 divisions, 1 battalion tanks, 3 aircraft carriers (86 fighters, 40 bombers), 78 fighters, 50 bombers, and 72 ~~xx~~ carrier fighters needed for defense of island after capture. End objectives Naval forces needed Ceylon 3 capital ships, 5 cruisers, 3 aircraft carriers, 16 destroyers: Bay Bengal 5 cruisers, 16 destroyers, 1 aircraft carrier general 16 submarines. Assuming preparations started some time ago earliest possible date for "D Day" would be about March 20. Apart from other factors which make Japan a suitable starting place for a sea borne expedition that of surprise will be very important and it is considered that Japs will use every stratagem to simulate an attack on north Australia. Comment by Navy reviewing authority Japs will provide much bigger naval escort for

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attack Ceylon probably 8 capital ships with proportionate increase destroyers, no submarines in direct attack, number aircraft carriers underestimated because Japs now have 8 regular carriers available and in addition, 8 converted merchant ships. Final comment Nilintell, these comments do not affect broader aspects of estimate and probably do not affect greatly the scale of air attack likely on Ceylon 3 carriers, but the altered strength will allow Japs to operate more ship borne aircraft against north-east India and more aircraft carriers against India and Ceylon with less risk to their eastern (American) front. End estimate. It is essential to paraphrase this immediately so as to conceal source and take necessary steps prevent leakage.

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To: Milid G-2

No. 2322 Fifth

In Dayindabo Area Prome front 17th Division withdrew 2nd thru First Burma Brigade despite violent enemy pressure and heavy continuous air action PD night 2nd-3rd 17th division spent Dayindabo exhausted, Moving 3rd to position behind Bwekyi Chaung, 1st Burma Brigade acting rear guard PD Hundred Jap M T reported Kanagcross River from Dayindabo 3rd

Crews refusal work blocks shipping Southwards Yenangyaung. night 3rd-4th 1st Brigade 17th division plus armored Brigade less 1 Regiment moved Sathwa, 8th Burma rifles from Yenangyaung to Minhlann

Front line situation Toungoo front unchanged re Burma Sitrep 330 hours GMT 4th. Yamethinand Pynmana bombed 3th

Ry sidings hit, part base supply depot, Civil Hospital and part town Mandalay Burned in heavy Jap bombing 3th

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From: Cairo
To: MILID

No. 947 Part 3. April 4, 1942

7. He feels best way for immediate allied assistance is to invade Balkans via Turkey but suggested that such a plan should be worked out with the Russian General Staff so that pressure from the 2 forces would be properly timed. If this move is to be effective it must be done quickly.

8. He reports Finnish prisoners are badly fed, people sick of fighting, that if British or American troops were to invade Norway this spring public opinion would force termination of Finnish participation by July.

9. Due to losses in men and material and increases in Soviet, the General is convinced that Hitler cannot enjoy successes this spring; that with major allied assistance war against Germany can be ended winter of 1942 and 1943.

10. The General complained of British and Polish attitudes. In spite of Soviet promise to Poles that their old frontiers would be restored he claims Poles and British both fear Russian successes; that his people feel Poland and Britain would like to see Germans and Russians fight until exhausted.

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From: ACNB (N) (SECRET) No. 2872 TG 050936Z (050536 EWT)

Jap Fleet Dispositions:

- (1) Large warship, type unknown sighted E TABAR ISLANDS (NEW IRELAND) at 2230Z April 2, course SE.
- (2) RYUJO in ANAMBAS ISLAND area April 2. Also CHOKAI, which is probably flagship of Southern Expeditionary Fleet.
- (3) No sightings at GASMATA April 4.
- (4) Air reconnaissance over RABAU sighted 8 large, 10 small transports, 2 other vessels and 7 flying boats in harbor. No cruisers seen. No reprisal anti-aircraft.
- (5) No shipping observed at SALAMOA 2120Z.
- (6) 4 Hudsons attacked KOEPANG airdrome and shipping at 1915Z, April 3. 2 Jap aircraft probably destroyed and 6 others believed destroyed. Large fire observed. 20 type 97 heavy bombers seen on runway in group 4. AA fire was light. 1 near miss on merchant ship (approximately 7,000 tons, no damage observed. 4 flying boats and merchant ship (3,000 tons) were also seen.
- (7) CINC 2ND FLEET reported in PENANG area April 2.
- (8) Japanese believed at KIETAKESSA BUKFANI Grade B 1.
- (9) 1 P-40 on reconnaissance flight sighted 5 fighters and 12 bombers on LAE airdrome at 2115Z, March 30. No shipping observed.

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Jap Fleet Dispositions (Continued)

(10) 5 P-40's attacked these aircraft at 0655Z, April 4. 1 Zero fighter and 4 bombers left burning. 7 or 8 bombers and 3 Zero fighters badly damaged.

(11) Continued enemy air reconnaissance at Point on NE coast of NEW GUINEA.

(12) Civil airdromes at DARWIN bombed and machine-gunned at 0410Z, April 4 by 7 type 87 MITSUBISHI heavy bombers escorted by 6 type-0 MITSUBISHI fighters. 1 casualty -- no material damage. Enemy losses, 1 fighter and 2 bombers destroyed by AA and 2 by P-40's. 1 fighter and 1 bomber probably destroyed. 1 fighter possibly destroyed. 1 P-40 shot down. 1 P-40 shot down and 1 P-40 destroyed on landing. Several Japs are reported to have parachuted, 1 captured at present.

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From: Camp Beauregard La

To: Adjutant General

No. CB 2 April 4, 1942

Reliable information received here US Grace Liner left Chiquayante Chile approximately April 3rd will be torpedoed by Nazi submarine informant state Nazis contacted by their agent Rizy O Lauow employed as Chief Agent Rizy O Lauow employed as Chief Engineer and Master Mechanic by W R Graceycia, Chiquayante Chile SA accordin William A Norton employed at same address, Richtor tipped off Tolten sailing and informs on ships carrying copper and other vital supplies this country. Nortons son member Headquarters Sqdns 67th bomb group Esler Field Louisiana

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From: Australia
To: General George Marshall

Number NR 70, April 4, 1942

The following is a paraphrase of an estimate of the situation prepared by the Australian Chiefs of Staff in conjunction with my headquarters. The original has been furnished the Prime Minister who is sending it to Dr. Evarts.

"The seizure of the Netherland East Indies having been accomplished by the Japanese, together with the fact that they now hold almost undisputed control of the air and sea in those regions where they are conducting operations make it now possible for them to initiate further offensive action in the southwest Pacific area. Such offensive action in great strength against Australian supply lines and against Australia itself is probable in the near future.

That part of Australia essential to the prosecution of the war is situated on the southeast and east coasts, in general between Melbourne and Brisbane. The critical point which controls this area is Port Moresby RPT. A strong offensive against Port Moresby could be launched now or in the immediate future. Much information that has been received indicates the transfer of Japanese troops towards Rabaul in which place there is now a dangerously large enemy force. This probable attack is extremely critical, both because it appears imminent, and also because if it succeeds the lines of supply between the United States and Australia and the safety of the all important area of Australia would be endangered. Only successful attacks on the enemy in this theatre have up to the present time forestalled a Japanese offensive against Port Moresby.

Imminent offensive actions are in addition probable against the (A) Darwin area and (B) the Fremantle area.

If an effective defense of Darwin could be

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established and air and sea forces operated from that area. It could be used against the Japanese in the Netherlands East Indies which would probably hold the Japanese in that theatre and hinder his sending additional forces to other areas.

The threat of intermittent air raids by carrier based airplanes against Freemantle is a very real one, as that port is open to such enemy action.

The vital necessity of taking the offensive in all of the foregoing area is at present not possible; in fact, enough forces to make an effective defense are not available. The urgent requirement is for additional air and sea power to defend these localities.

The least requirement for sea strength for action to the northeast of Australia is the Anzac Squadron supported by two task forces. These task forces should have attached 2 or 3 airplane carriers. There is also a necessity for a squadron of submarines.

The trained RAAF rpt Roger affirm Fox and U S Air Corps organizations now in operation should be equipped with modern planes as a first priority. Considering the airplanes known to be on the way and already here, the planes essential for this action are listed as follows: 195 P rpt prep-forties, 187 Vengeance, 19 Catalinas, 70 Baker-17s, 99 Hudsons, 106 Baker-26. The foregoing takes into account 25 per cent casualties.

Heavy bombardment planes rank as the highest priority of the aircraft listed and it is not possible to emphasize too strongly the urgent need for them.

If the forces listed are made available, attacks against Japanese bases, especially Rabaul, can probably be initiated.

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All of the foregoing is to be understood as a statement of only requirements. The necessity for combined attacks in such force as will attract enemy forces now available for additional offensive actions should always be kept in mind.

It is desired to emphasize the necessity of carrying on at the same time both the initial offensive action and the creation of those forces necessary for a great offensive, and especially to stress the need of always bearing in mind our policy of the necessity of assembling allied sea power capable of successfully meeting, at any moment, the enemy fleet. This purpose ought to never be lost sight of, while the tactical organizations which will compose this force should be constantly used in attacks until the hour for uniting these elements has arrived"

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From: Cairo
To: NILID

No. 947 Part 1. April 4, 1942

- 1- Major General Balyaev, Vice Admiral Akulin, Captain Vladi Mirov members of Soviet Military Mission en route United States arrived Cairo April 2nd departed April 4th. Major General Balyaev left Russian front March 20th.
- 2- He claims that during winter Germany brought 16 divisions from Europe to Russian front. This was the minimum to which Germany could pare down her European strength. It leaves in Europe now only second line units, most of the personnel of which has been incapacitated for duty at the front. His latest information is Germany has only 20 to 30 fresh divisions in reserve of which 8 are now in Poland.
- 3- The General was not sure that Hitler would attempt a spring drive on Russia. He feels that June 1st is earliest weather would be suitable for major operations. He believes that if drive comes it may start too soon, bog down in mud. Russians hope however to retain initiative until end of war. He said they awaited the spring with enormous confidence.

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A state of Emergency (Estado De Sitio) was proclaimed last night of the island of Sao Miguel including curfew from 9 PM to 6 AM and complete blackout. As far as I am aware, this measure does not apply to the other islands of the Azores. The legation has been informed.

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From: Cairo
To: Milid

No. 947, April 4th, 1942.

Paragraph 4 In October Near East suffered a material and moral crisis. Material was due to lower production during period of transporting industry behind Volga River and into Urals; moral crisis due to heavy losses of regular troops and replacements by recruits who had not the morale of more experienced soldiers. Recruits reflects spirit of the people who were badly shaken by deep and rapid German invasion. There are many Near East prisoners in Germany but not 3,000,000 as Germany pretends. Russian losses have been very heavy.

Paragraph 5 Since October Near East have formed 100 infantry divisions composed of fresh troops equipped and ready to fight. They are forming 200 mortar batteries. Territory between the front and Volga River has been divided into divisional areas, each is very strong in antiaircraft artillery. Many new tanks divisions are being formed.

Paragraph 6 The generals claim Russians appreciate the Allies but material arrives too slowly. Since January however material supply has not been critical because Near East industry is now operating full capacity.

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From: Cairo

To: Milid

No. 947, April 4th, 1942.

Paragraph 11 He remarked that he believed discipline sadly lacking among British troops; that soldiers paid no attention whatsoever to salute.

Paragraph 12 In reply to the query about American use of the base in Vladivostok, he said they were not able to fight on 2 fronts and it would be better to arrange other bases from which Japan could be bombed. Soviets desire to stay out of Pacific war he claims is not because of insufficient forces but because they are determined to fight on only 1 front at a time.

Paragraph 13 When the generals left Moscow it was reported that the new Japanese Ambassador who had recently arrived carried a letter from the Emperor of Japan to Stalin. Letter written at the sufficiency of Hitler, offered to U. S. S. R. restoration of her 1914 frontiers if Stalin would agree to a separate peace with Germany. If this peace were accomplished Germany promises to deal with Great Britain.

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From: Asuncion GHR
To : MILID

No. 14, April 4th, 1942

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not yet determined chances of revolutionary movement
1 out of 5.

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From: Fort Shafter
To: The Adjutant General

No. 3184, April 4th, 1942

Deliver to g-2 from Fielder. Summary 2400 17th March to 2400 3rd April. No activities land, naval or air, 1 submarine reported sighted by air service 19th March no contact.

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From: London
To: The Adjutant General

No. 1021, April 4, 1942

Cite: SPKMR as of 31 March, 1942, strength report
U. S. Army Forces London HQ USAFBI, Ground Forces 37,
Air Corps officers 5, Ground Forces Warrant Officers 3,
Electronics Training Group officers 308, Air Corps
officers 27, Ground Forces enlisted men none, Air Corps
Ferry Command officers none, enlisted men 14, Special Air
Corps (server Ground Forces officers 2, Air Corps officers
19, HQ Detachment SPOBS Ground Forces officers none, en-
listed men 36. 32nd Military Police Company Ground Forces
officers 5, enlisted men 120. 121st QM Car Company Ground
Force officers 2, Enlisted men 76. 7th General Dispensary
Ground Forces officers 11, enlisted men 23. 827th Signal
Service Company Ground Forces officers 10, enlisted men
70. USANIF Ground Forces officers 520, Warrant Officers
2, Army Nurse Corps 70, enlisted men 10,230. Air Corps
officers none, enlisted men none. Total strength USAFBI
Ground Forces officers 895, Ground Forces Warrant officers
(2), Ground Forces Army Nurse Corps 70, Ground Forces
enlisted men 10,560. Air Corps officers 51, Air Corps
enlisted men 14. Total 11,595.

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From: Quarry Heights
To: Milid

No CMC 1452 April 4, 1942

Construction by Nazis of submarine base on French Saint Barthelemy Island indicated in English intelligence report via 10th naval district. Fuel oil and gasoline consigned there from Guadeloupe and Martinique. Authority to investigate has been requested by Com Carib Sea frontier.

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From: London
To: Milid

No. 2820 April 4th, 1942

On basis info to 1st WO estimates Germ activities and possible intentions as follows: Invasion: Air reconce Kristiansand 23rd March showed 45 vessels concentrated there but later reconce showed number reduced to 36. Considered this shipping concerned with maintenance Germ troops and degence purposes.

Repts on construction by Germans of twin screw landing craft show that whereas in Jan they were being built 200 per annum now being built rate 300 to 350 annually and believed at least 130 T L CS will be available in short time. Also repts that output of Siebel Ferries being increased.

Activity on Channel Islands on large scale continues and 3 main isles now very strongly fortified. However no evidence that activity is other than of defensive nature.

Denmark and Norway: knowe that Germans dissatisfied with coastal defences Norway and Denmark and are taking steps which may include reinforcements as yet unidentified to strengthen. However present estimate strength remains 8 Divs Norway and 2 Denmark.

Medit Area: Repts of imminent Germ atck on Malta have revived to which added repts that recent intensive bombing may be prelude. Also repts that Germ chute troops have been assembled south Italy and Sicily. There is no rpt no concrete evidence to confirm these

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April 4, 1942
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From: Atlanta, GA.
To: Military Intelligence Service

No. 201 April 4th.

Important defense strikes Aluminum ore company Mobile
Alabama threatened strike daily report 4th Corps Area April
4th sabotage 10 disaffection 345 subversive total 387
espionage 29 miscellaneous 3 personnel 1,198 serious
cases 9.

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From: Ft. Mills
To: AGWAR

No. 701 April 4, 1942

Enemy launched attack late afternoon 3rd April against right center of our Bataan position. Attack was accompanied by heavy concentration of artillery. Furious fighting has been in progress during most of the day today. Enemy has massed superior forces in front of position and succeeded in forcing our troops back for a short distance. Enemy troops believed to be suffering heavy casualties from our small arms and artillery fire. During the night a hostile landing was attempted on the east coast of Bataan accompanied by 75 MM rpt MM fire and small arms fire from barges. Our artillery took barges, loaded with troops, under fire and it is believed that several were sunk. Hostile boats were forced to withdraw without making any landings. Losses from this group believed to be severe. Corregidor was free from bombing for the past 24 hours for the first time since March 24. Batteries on fortified islands again fired on hostile positions. No changes in the dispositions on Visayan or Mindanao front.

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From: London
To: G-2

No. 2318, April 4, 1942

Burma Corps reported third regrouping in Allamyo-Bwethyi area. Armored Brigade less one regiment plus Inniskilling fusiliers and one field battery arrived Allamyo second. First Burma Brigade (three battalions, two mountain batteries and frontier force column) concentrated Dayindabo supporting seventeenth division which withdraws to are Tmataung-Kyaukpadaung-Bwethyi. On completion withdrawal first Burma Division will concentrate area Mogaung-Allamyo-Thayetmyo. Enemy columns reported moving north toward Dayindabo west of main road.

Presence third regiment thirty third Jap Division suspected.

Nine thirty hours GMT April one Japs attacked Prome penetrating sixty third Brigade defenses through Jungle east of main road, securing high ground south Prome. Sixty third Brigade withdrew early second to positions fifth Prome. Sixteenth brigade involved east Prome, and forty eighth brigade moved to are Nawa repeat Nawa Chaung. Some supplies abandoned in Prome.

No additional report Toungoo front. Thazi bombed second. Nawa landing field unsafe account low flying Japs throughout day.

Shortland Island south of Bougainville occupied by Japs, and three heavy one light cruiser, one destroyer one transport reported Buks Passage April one.

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From: Atlanta Ga
To: Military Intelligence Svc.

No. 200, April 3rd.

This is corrected copy of message serviced April 3, 1942.

4th Corps Area daily report April 3rd personnel 1,149
serious cases 9 current subversive cases total 385 espionage
29 miscellaneous 3 sabotage 10 disaffection 343 important
defense strikes none.

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From: Ft Shafter TH
To : The Adjutant General

No 3181, April 4th, 1942

In an intercepted telephone conversation Buenos Aires to Tokyo March 31st 1942 Tokyo informs Buenos Aires "We have a faster service now, so you need not sent hot news". For G-2 signed Fielder can you give any suggestion as to what "faster service" Tokyo mean?

Emmons

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: EDC
To : MIS G-2

No. 20 EDC, April 3rd, 1942

CB transmits delayed report 5th nd received 1035 EWT
DD Roper sound contacted submarine at 3427 N 7609 W
1600 EWT (2000) April 3 dropped 21 depth charges results
not positive.

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April 4, 1942

From:
CINPAC

No. 2815 TG 030427

Japs have occupied Christmas Island south of Java. Japs are reorganizing forces and continuing logistics and consolidation of gains. Part or all of Crudiv 6 and 18, Desron 6 and various auxiliaries are engaged in mopping up operations in New Britain area. There has been reorganization of air forces in New Britain area and additional air craft will be supplied from Marshalls and Philippines. Also reorganization of Marshalls airforce with command probably at Jaluit. Subrons 2 and 5 in Malay. 1 SS operating alone in Indian Ocean and part of Subron 7 enroute Japan.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Chungking
To : AGWAR for ANNISCA

No. 336 ANNISCA, April 1st, 1942

Your 343 review our 110 for previous recommendations on arsenal materials. Due to skilled labor and power shortages complicated in some plants by inept management present facilities can use only 2000 tons a month on basis 1 shift of 11 hours. Through lack of power night operations not feasible. Available transportation delivered 800 tons in March, a banner month. If all obstacles eliminated present facilities could be gradually developed over a 5 months period to use maximum 3500 tons monthly. Estimated that stocks already in China sufficient to operate arsenals at 3500 tons rate for minimum 3 months but these supplies will require more than a year to transport even with a substantial expected increase in tonnage moved. For your information principal arsenals are in Chungking area 1200 kilometers by difficult road from Kunming. Most of the arsenal material is dumped at or below Tu Jing.

Request for 75000 tons means ignoring raw materials in India for distant future and not immediate needs this war. Even if ocean tonnage is not a factor early movement to consuming points will be impossible. Burma Road in best month transported only 17000 tons including fuel and most optimistic estimate for maximum operation does not exceed 30000 tons for all needs of China. Doubtful if feeder road organizations to arsenals can ever exceed 2000 tons monthly.

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If WD desires to forward supplies only for prosecution of this war Chinese request for 75000 tons should not be approved. Recommend 8 months supply on basis of 2000 tons a month or 12000 tons total which equals the estimated maximum feeder road capacity. Special priority should be given to small arms powder in this total at rate of 100 tons a month. The raw materials included in the 12000 tons recommended should be balanced against delivery of manufactured articles both in the arsenal supplies group and for direct military use with priority given manufactured articles for ocean shipment. In present situation manufactured articles ~~manufactured~~ of direct military use should receive priority over all other needs.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Kolbychev
To : MILID

No. 55, April 3rd, 1942

Supplementing my radio No. 41 following divisions located and identified: 101st 113th 240th 246th 312th 403rd German Infantry Divisions VYAZMA; 146th 147th German Mountain Divisions, 167th German Infantry Division German S S Kepple 47th Division Northern Front; 152nd 176th 415th German Infantry Divisions Novgorod; 105th German Infantry Division Krimea. The following divisions are identified but unlocated: 259th 249th 331st German Infantry Divisions; 212th German motorized division; Sudicuidisavon, Ducediaosta, Testadiferro fast moving Italian Divisions; 102nd Italian Treto Motorized Division; 133rd Italian Littorio Armored Divisions; 7th Italian Multidi Tosco, 22nd Italian Infantry Division; 4th Kupyeyeki, Tridsutina, Alpine Infantry Division; 52nd Torio, 10th Pazubbio Italian Auto Transport Divisions. 5th and 7th German Yeager Divisions replaced 2nd and 3rd German Yeager Divisions January 28th Northern front. Believes 2nd 3rd 14th*17th 25th*29th German Infantry Divisions reported in my radio No 41 are Motorized. Estimated losses for March Germans all causes men 150,000 tanks 400 Airplanes 800*Submarines 2 Transports 6* Soviets Airplanes 600.

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From: Duncan field Tex
To : Hdqtrs Army Air Forces
Attn A-2

No. SAAD R-01647, April 3rd, 1942

Secretary National Defense Mexico will not repeat not clear at 6-B flights for passage through Mexico enroute South American Countries States no repeat no arrangements made that department passage air planes other than American Brazilian. Mexican War Department willing to clear appealed President Mexico to overrule Secretary National Defense Departure notification filed your office all AT-6 B flights received answers stating diplomatic arrangement made difficulty apparently due foreign markings these airplanes no trouble encountered American Brazilian marked planes request arrangements be made state department clearance AT-6 B flights with 15 marked Chile, 4 Ecuador, 9 Peru, 4 Columbia, 4 Venezuela flights delayed 2 days.

San Antonio Air Depot

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From: Chungking
To: MILID

No. 75, April 3rd.

Unless decisive steps are taken early to forestall such action, Chinese Aeronautical Commission aided by Chinese long critical of CNAC'S efficient operation may take over direction that airline using accident March 14th as pretext. This reference to Embassy's number 279 March 26th. Military control civil aviation may be normal war armies procedure but past history of Commission indicates a disastrous lowering of opportunity and safety would result. Effect on CNAC'S proposed part in present supply problem should be given thorough consideration.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Chungking
To : G-2

Number 72, April 2, 1942

After 4th Japanese air attack on Magwe March 22d RAF withdrew few remaining servicable planes from Burma to India leaving only small servicing detachment. RAF ground crews for 1 bomber squadron were moved to Lashio and 1 pursuit vicinity Loiwing to await new airplanes. Arrival date problematical. Chinese reluctant RAF using Loiwing offer Chefang on Burma Road instead. Location and command of RAF in China now under discussion. RAF present low morale not helped by cool Sino reception which may result in further delay badly needed air support in Burma. Japanese heavy air concentrations at Rangoon Mandalay and Chiang-Kai opposed only by few Avg from Loiwing. Avg shot down one Japanese army 97th observation plane near Loiwing March 28. First Lashio bombing March 31 by 27 army 97th bombers plus 8 type zero pursuit planes from over 20,000 feet. About 15 killed and 15 wounded. Damage slight. Airdromes untouched air warning net woefully inadequate and attack unopposed. Japanese observation aircraft reported over Chungking indicate probable air attacks near future.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Quarry Bgts CZ
To : NILLIQ

No. CDC 1439, April 3rd, 1942

Another flight unidentified aircraft reported by
Commanding Officer Aruba on course 330 picked up by
SCR 268. Time and number airplanes not reported.

SCR = SIGNAL CORPS RADIO - AIRCRAFT WARNING

Sloop Captain reports through TBC submarine sighted
near Bank Berre April 1 at 2400 GCT Northwest of Martinique
and traveling toward that island. Same source reports on
Apr 2nd 2 were in Fort de France Harbor at 1230.

Kirkwood

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Port of Spain BWI
To : MILID

No. TBC63, April 3rd, 1942

Report for last 24 hours Colonago Aruba reports another flight unidentified aircraft picked up by SCR *268* TW 68 flying on same course as those previously reported headed north by northwest. Northwest of Martinique near bank Berre and traveling towards French Island submarine sighted by Sloop Captain April 1st at 2400 hours GCT. Same source reports 2 submarines in Fort De France Harbor April 2nd at 1230 hours GCT. Nothing to report for aerial activity. No change capabilities hostile countries.

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7:24 P. M.

INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Ankara,
To: Milid,

No. 136 April 3, 1942,

Informed circles here believe report your 105 is without foundation. Probable that Von Papens visit to Berlin initiated report. In my opinion Turks will refuse any such demands.

Kluss.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

April 3, 1942
5:03 PM

From: San Origine
To: MILID

No. 118 April 3, 1942

Considering strength of German Staff in zone do not believe Spanish official could resent action contemplated your no. 61 they seemingly accept our quiet staff increase as natural and officers should be cautioned to keep position and destination secret as much as possible until actual arrival here. Charge D'Affaires agrees and stresses officers should be assigned any branch except Military Intelligence to avoid undue comment.

Bentley.

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From: Quarry Heights CZ
To: MILID

No. CDC 1429 April 3, 1942

Acting MA Colombia states reference CDC 1387: paraphrased
"Before directives can be issued authorizing Lopez to act
on any plans which CDC might discuss with him regarding future
emergency involving Colombia such plans must first be submitted
by Lopez to President Santos for approval".

Kirkwood.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: London

To: Madrid

No. 2311, April 3, 1942

G 2 Intell Bulletin from AGWAR signed Kroner dated 2nd makes in substance following statement: In Eastern Theater Mediterranean it is believed Germans and Wops have their offensive preps in the advance stages. During 1st part April all ships will have been repaired and this is part of preps still going on in Greek Isles.

DMI WO anxious knowing more fully source and basis for above statement.

Request quick reply.

McClure

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Fort Lamy
To: Milid

No. 10, April 2, 1942

Gen. Leclerc named Commander in Chief of
French Equatorial Africa. Not yet announced
officially because he refuses promotion.

Miller

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From: Atlanta Ga
To: Military Intelligence Svc.

No. 200 April 3, 1942

4th Corps Area daily report April 3 personnel
1,14 (5) serious cases 9 current subversive cases total
385 espionage 29 miscellaneous 3 sabotage 10 disaffection
343 important defense strikes none.

Knopf

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Quarry Heights, Cs
To: Milid

No. CDC 1425, April 3, 1942

MA Ecuador reports resignation Julio Tobar
Donoso Minister of Foreign Affairs accepted successor
not yet named. Colonel Cristobal Toledo new Acting
Chief of Staff is Axis sympathizer.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Ambassador London
To: Milid

No 2310 April 3rd.

According to British the status of .303 ammunition from British built Winchester Plant capacity 50 million rounds per month as follows: For December production fifth million and British were allotted 50 million; for January presumed production 50 million allotted 43 and 1/2 million; for February presumed production 50 allotted only 40. The difference between production and allotment figures has created the question-is America pooling total production in this case (possibly other cases) as agreed? Have heard this several times last at meeting of munitions assignments board. Impression created not repeat not conducive to full confidence all concerned. Cause may be lack material or change to other work or that difference more needed some other theater. Matter needs correction or explanation suitable to present to board. Wilson to General Aurand. Immediate reply important.

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From: **INCOMING MESSAGE**
To: AGWAR

No 670 April 4th.

Bombing and strafing of front line troops and rear areas in Bataan continues with unabated fury. In addition enemy artillery put down what appeared to be heavy preparatory fire for a period of over three hours today. The degree and intensity of the artillery fire indicated that an attack would follow but none has developed. During the past twenty four hours a number of sharp clashes have occurred on the Bataan front between our own and hostile patrols. Such clashes almost invariably result from aggressive action on the part of our troops. In Mindanao our troops continue to harass hostile forces who are continually placed on the defensive. Patrols yesterday at Zamboanga caused hostile artillery to expend large quantities of artillery ammunition on Terrain where no target existed. Bombing of corregidor continues although number of flights has decreased during past twenty four hours. It is believed that enemy losses have been so heavy as to convince him that his attacks were not remunerative. Antiaircraft artillery shot down two heavy bombers and probably damaged two others. No damage to military objectives on corregidor.

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From: London
To: MILID

No. 2307 April 3rd.

Widely circulated rept recd here PM 2nd that Akyab West Burma coast had been occupied by enemy denied by official rept recd WO this AM.

On Prome front Burma sit to 24 hours GMT 31st not materially changed from that restd our 2301. Now estimated 4000 Burmese traitors with Japs this front with 1000 of them on west bank Irrawaddy opposite Prome but recon for distance 4 mi upstream encountered no enemy. Jap patrol destyd at Sinnizwe but no other enemy found.

From Toungoo front Chinese rept enemy has been reinforced of town and now using 105 MM Hows. On 31st 200th Div moved behind 22nd Div into Swa area.

Brit still without air support and Lashio again bmbd on 1st and small petrol dump destyd.

Reptd that enemy landed Christmas Isle Indian Ocean ngt 30th from 3 cruisers, 4 destys and 2 transports and that Jap flagship recd torp hit from Asa sub. Also reptd that Faisi Isle, Solomons, believed occupied by Japs 31st.

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From: EDC
To: Milid G-2

No. 12 EDC Third

Increase in submarine attacks on shipping off EDC. Ending 1200 GMT April 3. 1 tanker shelled and sinking off winter quarter shoals and 1 tanker torpedoed East of Cape Hatteras, well out. Submarines sighted 1 about 20 miles South Cape Hatteras by Merchant ship sub fired torpedo, missing the ship, latter resumed course. Elsewhere than off EDC 1 submarine sighted off the lesser Antilles and 1 off Halifax both well out

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From : Australia
To: MILID

No. 1245 April 3rd.

MILID also to Commanding Officer U S Forces New Caledonia.

1. Events 2nd 7 Type #7 heavy bombers and 30 fighters attacked Darwin town area and Shmul bulk installations loss of 60,000 gallons one hundred octane gasoline P 40s unsuccessful interception. 4 enemy warships entered Faiei (Shoetland Island). Reco party advise Jap strength Salamaua 82. Allied sub sank Natori cruiser damaged another Christmas Island 31st.

2. Allied activity 3rd repeat reco west Horn Island. 1 Catalina ex Tulage reco Kieta Woodlark Islands. Recos N W Darwin.

3. Jap activity 3rd indicated reformation Jap bomber squadrons Rabaul 45 heavy bombers from Phillipines in group 135 heavy bombers from unreported base in group 2. (Cite G 2) (Possibly those already in Rabaul area.)

MacArthur

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Australia

To: MILID

No. 1243 April 3, 1942

1. First 1 B-17 failed to locate target at Rabnuy 1 returned engine trouble other 2 did not take off. Euka passage believed occupied by 500 Jap troops 1 heavy 1 light cruiser 1 destroyer 1 transport sighted at anchor in passage 2 heavy cruisers sighted patrolling east of passage (believe these part of shipping Bougainville area 30th) 4 guns observed on Sohana Island. 3 light cruisers 4 destroyers 2 transports landed unopposed at Christmas Island (300 miles south Sunda Strait) on 31st 1 cruiser flag-ship received torpedo hit. (Cite G 2)

2. Allied activity 2nd reco of approaches to Darwin from Keopang being conducted in effort to locate ships reported at Keopang on 31st and missing on 1st. 2 Catalinas reco area west and south of Horn Island. 1 Catalina reco west of Tulagi.

3. Jap activity Bougainville area indicates gradual occupation of Solomons. At present only airdromes in Solomons are Kieta and Euka. Tulagi is allied seaplane base. //

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From COM 15
For Action CARLBSEAFRON

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Master American C. B. Watson reported sighting an object resembling a life raft 75 miles NE Serrana Bank at 1615R March 28. No signs of life observed. There is no further information available.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Ft. Mills, P. I.
To: The Adjutant General

No. 675, April 2, 1942

For General Marshall reurad 1280 strength Bataan
and Corregidor garrison as follows:

American ground forces 10, 00, American air forces
5,000 (including 1900 Provisional Air Corps Infantry
Regiment), American naval and marine forces 4100, Philippine
scouts 10,500, Philippine Army 55,000, Civilians employed
6100. Total 90,800. Civilians in evacuee camps 18,600.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Chungking
To: Milid

No. 70, April 2, 1942

Your 186. Central Department-Djang has arranged with Doctor Royce to microphoto requested materials. These will be forwarded via pouch. Please inform Doctor Max F. Remer, care of CO if essential.

Mayer

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From: KDC
To : MIS G-2

Number 04. April 3rd

David H Atwater reported shelled at 0150 GMT
Assateague Beach Coast Guard has picked up 3 survivors and
4 bodies crew consisted of 21 men and 8 officers the mobile
defense force at Westover is sending an ambulance to Coast
Guard Station they are also taking along a Mr Hamlet from
the Naval Intelligence.

Barris.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON

April 3, 1942.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT:

General Wainwright reports the following troops
in Bataan and Corregidor in the Philippines:

U. S. Ground Forces	10,000
U. S. Air Forces	5,000
(Includes 1900, Provisional Air Corps Infantry Regiment)	
U. S. Naval and Marine Forces	4,100
Philippine Scouts	10,500
Philippine Army	55,000
Civilians Employed by Army	6,100
Total	90,700
Civilians in Evacuee Camp	18,600

Joseph P. McNamara
Acting Chief of Staff.



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From: Kouibychew
To: G-2

No. 56, April 3, 1942

Meager information available on Japanese divisions: 10 Japanese divisions in addition to Manchurian troops located on Manchurian border and 6 independent railroad guard brigade, 30 divisions in China 40 in Japan other are unknown. Source Chinese Military Attache and neutrals who have limited dealings with Japanese.

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April, 3 1942
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From: London
To: MILID

NO. 2314 April 3, 1942

General ODIC departed for US about March 23rd should be in Halifax now enroute Washington address 1629 Columbia Road. Your 1236.

Certain operations plans prepared by ODIC and other former French officers being forwarded by pouch care Ray Atherton State Department. Without ODIC's knowledge copies made and furnished Chaney, Chormley, WO for info. One copy being mailed you. Kennedy, WO, states ODIC has not approached WO on any level coming to his attention and that plans could not have been made with full knowledge of allied capabilities and have no stamp of WO approval. He asked for copies for study.

ODIC formerly French Regular Army, high command during invasion, later with Weygand in North Africa, split with Weygand over Petain policies. Was in Washington last fall with Military Mission and decided best serve France under De Gaulle. In London decided De Gaulle "Self seeking unscrupulous adventurer not having at heart interests of France but out for himself alone".

He and his faction advocate supplanting De Gaulle, urge invasion of France by expeditionary force mainly Americans and Canadians and hopes to arrange for equipment to arm former French soldiers who join expeditionary force on landing. He is not Free French and here has only civilian status.

De Gaulle endeavored have foreign office refuse exit visa. FO held up departure for some time but granted visa and transportation after prodding by Embassy.

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Page 2 No. 2314 from London April 3, 1942

This information secured by conversations with ODIC
before departure, Matthews, DMO and DMI.

Carlisle considers him honest sincere and unselfish.

McClure.

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From: Berne
To: Milid

No. 147, April 3rd.

XSA at least 2 Axis airfleets sent to Balkans last week. Air bases being developed feverishly on all Dodecanese Islands, likewise defensive positions France. XSA report new German Artillery shells and Aerial bombs of tremendous explosive power. Roulements gan Bill Cul De Sac leaving in today's pouch. Request private address Erwin Freureich American Express Co 5th Avenue New York. Every effort being made to obtain gasoline and oil samples.

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From: London
To: G-2

No. 2312, April 3, 1942

on 3rd read me extracts from private cable from Wavell to the War Cabinet, just received.

Wavell states he has just returned to Delhi from Burma favorably impressed with all Brit Commanders, as well as Stilwell.

Stilwell complains that it is hard to get his orders carried out. Chinese are fighting as well as their training and equipment permit.

Burmese troops serving with the Brit are not much combat value. The Indian troops were hastily thrown together, not too well trained, and are now shaky. Supplies are now becoming more difficult.

Casualties in Prome-Toungoo area are very heavy on both sides. Japs have complete air superiority.

Wavell is attempting to throw together some air transport, but is loath to dispatch it for destruction piecemeal.

He will probably have to fall back to the line Magwe-Mongpoo as his present position is untenable. In this new area he expects more favorable terrain for his purpose and also that the natives will be more friendly.

If he is forced to retire further the question of which route he will follow is being considered. If the British fall back towards India, they separate from the Chinese and their supplies become almost impossible. If they fall back toward the east, they maintain their contact with the Chinese which may be

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psychologically desirable. Wavell feels that he must maintain a British force in being, even with considerable losses in territory.

He concludes that he is not hopeful of the situation.

Knowledge of this message, due to its source and the fact that it has not been released to US in the usual manner, should be kept from British.

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From: Governor's Island, N.Y.
To: The Adjutant General

No. 2 CA 246 April 3rd, 1942

Additional confidential information from Spanish Embassy courier rerad April 2nd advises subsequent meeting indicates Germany demanded that Japan attack India and Australia simultaneously Japan indicated compliance but asked for three or four weeks in which to repair damage to cruiser fleet before attacking Australia request A C of S G-2 be advised.

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From: Quarry Heights, CZ
To: Milid

CDC 1405, April 2nd, 1942

St. Lucia base advises one native of two shot by US Marines while looting at Castries has died. Native spokesmen say will "even score" with Americans. Looting of torpedoed ships stores continuing. British Navy Trinidad advises SS Mangore reported submarine sighted 15 mile north-east true Fywey Rohks (Florida) 1820 GCT March 31. British Navy Trinidad intercept message "Sub firing on us 071040 north 45-20 west 808 - McCobb" at 1935 GCT March 31. Cotruce 6th air force reports March 31 6 hostile subs planning simultaneous entrance through main passages in the Caribbean present position these subs - week late information to indicate.

Kirkwood

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From: Ankara
To : MILID

Number 132. April 2nd.

Reference recent Turkish request for lease lend airplanes. the British and American Ambassadors and Air Attaches agree that for political and military reasons Turks should be immediately furnished the following: From British 18 Tomahawks 232 Blenheims from the United States 20 Kittyhawks and if possible 12 Martin Maryland or Baltimore Kittyhawks to take place of Tomahawks previously ordered but not delivered. Both ambassadors and our lease lend representative have cabled above recommendations Washington and London. I concur.

Kluss.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: London
To : Adjutant General SPSP

No. 984, April 2, 1942

Reference your 159. Condition cited agreeable. In addition to troops of this command desire to make distribution to United States Naval Force in British Isles. No repeat no advertising will be carried. Subscriptions charge to be paid largely from unit funds and only sufficient to pay for papers and printing. Request material for publication be sent clipper mail to United States Army newspaper, 52 Longacre WC 1, London England. Column width of paper 483, 5 columns per page, regular news print paper stock. If possible will publish first issue April 16 and every Thursday thereafter. Deadline for receipt of material every Tuesday. Initial allocation of \$2,000 from welfare fund this headquarters being made to cover expenses of publication. We can pay cable tolls not repeat not to exceed \$40 per week and all mailing charges. Your offer to provide personnel New York greatly appreciated and desired. Is any trained personnel available for dispatches to this headquarters? Re write man and cartoons 1st especially desired. Particularly desire Private Breger whose cartoons appear Saturday Evening Post and who was in 32nd Division. Because of delay in airmail request that confirmation and details be sent by cable.

Chaney

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Quito, Eodr.
To : Milid

No Number, April 2, 1942

Chief of Protocols assured me today that request for increase of mission personnel is approved and is being forwarded your cable No. 67. Request Subaltern Engineer or Constucting Quartermaster Officer and Finance Clerk be ordered Quito immediately.

Renshaw

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From: Ft. Shafter, T.H.
To: The Adjutant General

No. 3144, April 2, 1942

Commanders of both Birch and Holly have acknowledged receipt of message 2028, March 29, from General Marshall, concerning use of chemical toxic ammunition.

Emmons

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Quarry Heights
To : Chief of Transportation

No Number, April 2, 1942

Departed Cristobal for New Orleans transport Florida 2:30PM
April 2, embarked 5 officers 2 nurses 81 enlisted men and 519 Axis
enemy internees, loaded 3 box cars of personal baggage.

Harris

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From: Quarry Heights
To : Provost Marshal General

No. 407, April 2, 1942

323 alien enemies and 196 dependents sailed 1425 today USAT Florida for New Orleans. MP guard personal effects and internment records in triplicate accompany internees. 323 alien enemies include 98 Germans (96 men and 2 women), 184 Japanese all men, 15 Italians all men, 26 other enemy nationals (24 men and 2 women). 196 dependents include 34 Germans (2 men, 24 women, 8 children), 84 Japanese (34 women and 50 children), 78 other enemy nationals (2 men, 29 women, 47 children.)

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From Rio
To: Milid, Washin gton, D.C.

No. 282, April 2, 1942

Ambassador Still taking this matter under
consideration RE your 244 and 269.

Hughes

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Vichy
To: Milid

No. 50, April 2, 1942

Metropolitan Army under terms Armistice limited to
100,000 order of battle as given in report number 25,
9 23. New report sent by air mail March 14.

Leahy

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Port of Spain BWI
To: Milid

No TBC 32 April 2, 1942

Report for period 1200 hours 1st-1200 today: radio from Co Curacao reports unidentified aircraft flew over Aruba as follows: 31st March, from 0130 to 0530 GCT 21 planes (30 miles West) on course of 330 deg. Speed of 1 plane approx 230 MPH. April 1st, 26 planes from 0130 to 0555 sig GCA. Both flights located by SCR 268. Air activity elsewhere negative. Capabilities Axis unchanged signed Chester.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: LAF
To: G-2 WDGBI Attention Col Walsh

No number April 3rd, 1942

DB-7 on patrol from Savannah Ga observed submarine crash dive at 1645 GMT, 20 March at 3405 North 7653 West. Course of submarine 55 degrees. Airplane attacked parallel to Axis of submarine from astern, dropping only 1 depth bomb, 325 pounds, 50 foot fuse setting. Large quantity of muddy water came to surface. Bomb struck 100 feet to left of submarine shadow. Airplane circled for 12 minutes and returned to base because of lack of gas. 2DB-7s and 1B-25 dispatched and searched area until dark without results. Pilot was Second Lieut Leo Havel Jr, 48th bomb group 8th Air Force.

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From: Gov Is NY
To: TAG

No. 2 CA 244, April 2nd.

It is desired that A C of S G-2 be advised that confidential informant who is courier for Spanish Embassy advises that Admiral Raeder, Pierre Laval, Admiral Darlan, General Rommel, General Von Brauschitch, Otto Abetz and General Henri Dentz met yesterday April 1st in Berlin to arrange new German Spring Offensive Informant states 35 German Divisions are ready for offensive in Crimea and that 1st attacks will be on the Deodecanese Islands and landings in Syria also Malta will definitely be invaded presumably by paratroops also additional information is to effect that Battleship Gneisenau made trial run yesterday Prinz Eugen will be ready for trial run in 1 week Battleship Scharnhorst will not repeat not be ready for 4 weeks additional detailed report from same source in mail today information considered absolutely authentic by this office.

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From: COM 10

For Action: NOB TRINIDAD

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March 3 midnight of March 29 8 and noon
Venezuelan consul obtained information paid
informers who are extremely unreliable here and
sell whatever information we purchase for truth.
No instructions confirmation reliable source
submarines have been seen off coast of French
Guiana.

Special assistant to Cayenne Saturday after
visit St Laurent, he saw and heard nothing whatever
indicating Axis submarines had been in Mana or
Karoni nor was any of their supplies obtained there.
Furthermore water so shallow that region to make
any approach by submarines extremely dangerous but
not impossible.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Bern
To: Milid

No. 146, April 2, 1942

XIAA reports 1 Italian Infantry Brigade, 1 Brigade Alpini arrived Yugoslavia last week. X3A 2 Italian Infantry Divisions 1 Black Shirt Division Eastern Thrace between Hermanlii and Karkla.

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From: Chungking
To : AGWAR for ANNISCA

No. 442 ANNISCA, April 2nd, 1942

Generalissimo approved induction of AVG into US Service. Chennault was present and concurred. July 4th ~~tentative~~ tentative date of induction to permit arrival from USTOF personnel and equipment to bring twenty 3rd Pursuit Group to authorized strength on date of induction. Progressive attachment to AVG at earliest possible date of US 23rd Group personnel now enroute and other personnel to be furnished is strongly recommended. Cardinal principal should be to maintain maximum effectiveness of AVG during induction. Approval requested.

Stilwell

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Santiago. CH
To : MILID

Number 111 April 2nd.

Your 129 received too late. In absence of instructions and at urgent request of Commanding Officer Troops and of Master Etolin I sent 1 Medical Corps soldier and 7 Filipinos said to be members of United States Army Transport Service to Tocopilla where they boarded Etolin on March 29th. Funds expended were: For soldier \$12. ration and quarters \$19.66 transportation; for Filipinos \$84 rations and quarters \$141.97 transportation total. This done under provisions of AR 615-290 assuming Filipinos in United States Army Transport Service are military personnel. Advise if I can drop these funds on voucher copy which has been sent Commanding Officer Troops of Etolin requesting collection or if I am liable for funds expended for Filipinos. Absence was due to negligence on part of personnel concerned.

Kane.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Karachi
To : AGWAR

No. AG 4 NEW 16, April 2nd, 1942

For General Somervell. Have just received today copy Greely Cable AMRUS 16 March 27 to Eisenhower which indicates that my views are expected to be submitted immediately. Have not repeat not received copy of any directive explaining basis Greely report. Consequently my comment must be based upon interpretation of his cable as to points involved. Over month ago I wrote letter memoranda and reports all enclosed one secret envelope to General Moore outlining in detail the problems, experiences and actions in connection with our projects. Reference to these which are filed AMSIR Wash. All projects were finally adopted after full discussion and agreement in advance with several British Headquarters and with Soviet Ambassador Teheran and were initiated in accordance with those understandings. On order to maintain cordial relations changes were made in procedure from time to time whenever by Soviets even though extra expense or delay were involved. Relations between British and Russians did not repeat not favor expeditious handling of supplies and frequently required American coordination. In the initial planning our objective was to conserve shipping to the maximum by using local sources for materials and labor as far as possible and by using available British resources to prepare sites construct shops housing etc in advance of arrival of remainder of mission and contractors personnel so that projects could be started promptly. In my judgement this policy has worked satisfactorily and our plans which have been

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carefully prepared and for which contracts let are now being carried out vigorously. Our personnel was especially selected for the job and while it has been necessary to double up due to shortage of officers nevertheless supervision has been adequate. Our most serious handicap has been and still is lack of senior Air Officer of field grade who is expert in technical details and capable of coordination airplane matters. It is believed that flow of supplies is improving progressively with training and experience of labor. Colonel Shingler has high executive ability energy tact and professional qualifications. We have planned all details together since organization of mission and I have confidence in his judgment and actions during my absence and assume full responsibility therefor. I shall visit the area from time to time as soon as certain projects are under way in India. All mission projects can be handled more expeditiously from India than from Russia because of Port, Ordnance, Vehicle assembly and command coordination.

Wheeler

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From: Bathurst
To : MILID

Number 26. April 2nd.

Present garrisons enegal and Casamance: Infantry 2 Battalions foreign legion, 15 Battalion native troops. Armored. 2 groupes Chasseurs Dafaigue mechanized and about 30 tanks. Artillery, 11 field batteries 75 SIS antiaircraft batteries 5 anti tank batteries 1 combined AAAT Battery. Engineers 1 Battalion 3 Companies. Also 1 group Encmade and 3 groupes Camel Corps. Believe estimate to be conservative.

McCone.

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From: Teheran
To: Adjutant General

No. Amrus 19, April 2nd, 1942

For General Marshall's personal attention. Standley yesterday announced his objection to taking me into Russia with him or otherwise recognizing Mission until its status was clarified. Reasons were: Apparent half hearted acceptance of Mission by Soviets which might prejudice his position and necessity my remaining here to improve flow of Russian Supplies through Iran and Iraq. He had my letter of instructions from the Secretary of War and access to my cables. These included my recommendation for absorbing Iranian Mission contained in my Telegrams of March 8th March 16th March 21st and March 27th for Moore and Eisenhower respectively. He understands that I cannot fully comply with directive except by entry into U.S.S.R. and that he has no authority to interfere with this. I had intended to enter with smaller Mission to obtain first-hand information and determine whether it was better to bring in whole Mission or leave part of it here to improve supply. However in view his attitude I decided not to enter until agreement had been reached between State Department and War Department on entry of all or part of my Mission and decision made by War Department on my recommendation for absorbing Iranian Mission here. The latter was not essential to primary duty supplies to Russia from Murmansk to Persian Gulf, with due regard for long range Engineering projects now under way here. Standley seems fully informed on attitude of President and all other pertinent matters except he had an erroneous impression that I was to be his Military Attache.

He cabled states fully April 1st recommending consultation of State War and Soviet Government and that both he and I be informed of decision reached. Dreyfuss also cabled State March 31, reference to supplying of motors to Russia on which Standley did not have first-hand information.

I recommend; first that War Department telegraph me authority to assume command of Iranian Mission as necessary to Russian supply from the south. Activities of that Mission at present hampered by unexplained absence Wheeler

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and much of its personnel. Second: That War Department furnish Soviet Government, through State Department, with my letter of instructions from the Secretary of War, and ask immediate answer as to whether that Government desires to receive my Mission of 11 officers and 14 men or any part thereof. If answer is yes entry and employment must be facilitated. If answer is no, Mission under present name should be discontinued and activities confined to improving supplies outside of Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

I will telegraph you personally again on April 9, to renew these recommendations if decision has not been sent me in meantime.

Greely

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From: EDC
To : NIS G-2

No. 26 EDC, April 3, 1942

SS Augusta reports suspicious craft 8 miles 54 degrees from Bodie Island light showing bright mast head and side lights chasing it speed 15 knots at 0210 GMT at 0215 GMT report received that all lights have been shut off and are now unable to see suspicious craft his position short distance east of Bodie Island lighted bell buoy number 8.

Harris

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PRIORITY

From: EDC
To : NIS G-2

No. 24 EDC, April 3, 1942

David H Atwater a freighter being shelled left
Cape Henry at noon bound for New York speed 8 knots
bearing station NAB 218 degrees station NBS 233
degrees station NNY 038 degrees station NDW 000 degrees
received FCC 0122 GMT.

Harris

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Teheran
To: Milid

No 34, April 2, 1942

As of March 31st British troops Iran combat approximately 8500 service Appr 6500 order battle Abadan 1st Battalion Kumaon rifles and Imeshk Headquarters India Infantry Brigade 5th Battalion Royal Mahratta 2d Bn Rajputana rifles 87th Field Regiment Royal Artillery and various detachments as Engineer Bakeshop Workshop Transport Signal Medical et cetera Hamadan 1st Battalion 9th Gurkha rifles less 1 company with usual service troops. Kermanshah Headquarters 26th Indian Infantry Brigade 1st Battalion 1st Gurkha rifles with detachments as at Imeshk. Khaniqin (on Iraq Border) Headquarters 27th Indian Infantry Brigade 4th Bn 8th Punjab 5th Battalion 12th Frontier Forces Regiment 1st Battalion 10th Baluch 159th Field Regiment Artillery with detachments as at Imeshk. Senna 1st Battalion 19th Hybad. Sultan ABAD 1 Co 1st Battalion 9th Gurkha rifles from Teheran to Persian Gulf numerous detachments too small to mention.

No Russian order battle Russian troops Iran continue to be 3rd line in the process of training Soviet Organization is 2 Divisions 1 Headquarters Tabriz trans Caspian Army other Hq Gurgan trans Caspian Army these Divs contain for training and administration all arms and services very little Soviet Artillery exists reliable information and own inspection place Soviet total strength Iran about 16,000 no recent important movement of troops but continue hear of increase in Turkish troops Turkish Russian Persian Frontiers this replying your cable 81 Poles began arriving at Pahlevi March 28th personal contact elicited information contingents

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No 34 April 2, 1942

to arrive will be from Polish 8th 9th and 10th Divisions
1st Cavalry Regiment Air Force Labor Battalion and troops
many will be raw recruits. 1500 women and children included.
Wives families left behind already a concern. 2 years mal-
nutrition evident 75% Polish Evacuees physical condition
fair to bad dental condition bad morale good they will need
minimum 2 months rehabilitation 2 additional months training
number of effectives and destinations not yet known. My
opinion Soviet Labor Battalion will furnish bulk of Evacuees.
Will ascertain officer complement

Ondrick

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April 2, 1942,
5:05 P. M

From: Ft. Sam Houston, Texas
To: G-2

No. SPKHL - 4. 708 April 2nd, 1942,

Principal information requested in your radio of April 1 signed Kroner is contained in summary of information this office dated March 25, 1942 file (G-2) 336.8 (Japanese) Mexico 201 - Hasegawa. Limited additional information being forwarded air mail summary this date.

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From IAF

To: WDGBI G-2

Attention Col Walsh

Base G 2 Mitchel Field reports that crated planes at Roosevelt Field Long Island are located within a short distance of heavily travelled roadway and that their destination printed on the crates Calcutta is clearly visible from a moving automobile

Lacey

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April 2, 1942
3:18 P. M.

From: Montevideo
To: MILID Washington, D. C.

No. 45, April 2, 1942

Re our 496 present balance drayage account five dollar current bills exceed that amount by 40 cents. Ship arrived today with household goods and office safe

Congdon

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From: Tanger
To: Milid

No. 117 April 2nd, 1942

No change in the situation.

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From: New Delhi
To: Milid

No. 40, March 30, 1942

Report Imphal Road by Royal Engineers as of March 6 Imphal - Palul thru Paddy Fields being raised to make suitable for wet weather traffic. Palul - Tamu widening and blasting British estimate open April 15 for animal transport and small number road construction trucks 1 field colessone sections Imilarus Combat Engineers 1 Artizan works Co with pack mules which consists nucleus technician R mechanics supplemented by local labor now operating from Tamu furtherst imate road to Tamu open May 15 for motor traffic 2 army excavating units 20 tractors with bulldozer grader and rooter equipment plus 7 motor graders operating from Tamu one excavating troop arrived Ledo March 25 tractors with graders scrapers and bulldozers British Engineers report labor situation such public works department official reported asking 300 troops to police Tamudashkalewa section and control coolie desertions caused by cholera fear note request seems excessive but significant same source reports no Chinese personnel or work at Mogaung

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April 3, 1942.

From: COMINCH

For Action: All Commands Atlantic Area
Interested in Submarine Position
Report CDRS All Sea From Lant

BLOUIN

021741 CCR 1301

2 April sub situation X part one X one 35-45N
75-15W 2104Z/1 X one 36-54N 74-53W 1929Z/1 X possibly
another HATTIRAS area damaged X two within 30 miles SW
SABLE ISLAND about 2000Z/1 X one 37-05N 61-40W 2123Z/1
which may be within 50 miles 39N 60W at 1311Z/2 X 5
westbound X 45N36W X 47N 45W X 46N 38W X 45N 42-30W
48N 42W X four homebound area 36 to 41N and 32 to 39W
X no activity Gulf of Maine X action to all commands
Atlantic area interested in submarine position report
X from COMINCH X part two X one about 34N 76-20W 0532Z/2
X one 32-05N 64-25W 1319Z/2 X 3 bound West or SW X 31N
44W X 35N 31W X 40N 29W X NO INFO from Caribbean X

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From: Ft Sam Houston Tex
To: WGBI MIS

NO. SPKHL-3, April 2, 1942

Reported 13 Japanese removed from Juarez to alien concentration camp at Perote Veracruz on March 30 by Mexican Federal Agents. Other Japanese at Juarez granted 10 days delay before leaving for camp at Camargo Chihuahua. Unconfirmed information indicates governor Silvano Barba Gonzalez of Jalisco on vacation in United States. Considered probable vacation not voluntary.

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From: Ft. Sam Houston, Texas,
To: Asst. Chief of Staff, G-2

No. 77 L - 2 April 2nd, 1942.

Military interviewing stations opened at
Brownsville and Laredo Texas on April one.

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April 2, 1942

From: Eddy Tangier

For Action: OPNAV

BLOUIN #21318 HCB 2974

Reliable but incomplete report Axis planes attacked 2 British motor launches one NR 132 off coast Algeria. 21 crew and 3 officers landed at Bone March 21 now interned Laghouat. 2 others died in Bone Hospital and 5 reported missing.

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April 2nd, 1942.

From: COMCARIBSEAFROM

For Action: OPNAV

ELOUIN 021517 NCR 3917

British sources report new activity at St. Bart-
helonew oil storage dock warehouse. New Officials from
France. Only 3 cars and 2 household lighting plants on
island. Unusual shipments petroleum products being
received. Can arrangements be made to investigate.

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From: Qhys CZ
To: MILID

No. CDC 1406 April 2

Puerto Rican Dept advises receipt radio from Port Au Prince that Pan American pilot Lerwux reported freighter aground apparently burned 70-49 west 20-14 north at 1330 GMT April 1. 10th Naval District and Guantanamo advised.

Kirkwood

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CSWD
April 2, 1942
12:23 AM

From: New Delhi
To: MILID

No. 41 March 31, 1942

For Col Froner observer out put severely curtailed because necessity manual coding requiring majority observers working half time daily: Absence fast trustworthy mail for written secret confidential reports documents. WDGB I urge immediate delivery cipher machine M-134 C exactly same as Brereton's with 4 operators for 24 hour service Brereton will allow me use his machine if time available but anticipates 24 hour priority service. Later when Brereton traffic increases my machine can take Brereton overflow in spare time hence twenty four hour service when May I expect machine. Request immediate shipment by air 3 repeat 3 competent stenographer typists preferably familiar army procedure impossible hire them here even from refugees must be trustworthy for secret material. Request complete officer office manager type familiar army procedure trustworthy secret material and capable training office staff liberal experience in personnel finance transportation desired must be self starter should bring latest regulations office manuals pay tables in his personal baggage. Sutro to remain in charge of cable section urge expedite delivery micro photographic and photographic kit sending with office manager to avoid holding up enroute when will fast mail courier service commence.

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April 2, 1942
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From: Lisbon
To: G-2

No. 261, April 2nd, 1942.

Reference to my cable 235 request funds be
expedited furniture already purchased

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Cairo
To: Milid

No. 943, April 1, 1942

During early stage present Lybyan campaign in 7th Armored Division out of 111 tank battle casualties 22 percent were from holes in turrets, 19 percent damage to suspension, 18 percent turret jams due to shell fires, 16 percent holes in hull, 10 percent damage to engine, 9 percent damage transmission and differential, 4 percent fire in turrets, 2 percent damage final drive.

In 1st Armored tank brigade of 166 Infantry tanks 137 were battle casualties, 25 percent from mines and 75 percent from gun hits. Obviously it is of paramount importance to clear mine fields and silence antitank guns.

Fellers

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From: London
To: Milid

No. 2304, April 2.

Losses of British and timechartered Allied and Neutral Merchant Shipping over 1600 GRT week ending March 29th:
Tanker: Losses 67,700 gains 8,200 net loss 59,500. Nontanker: Losses 35,100 gains 40,400 net gain 5,300. Total net loss 54,200.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: London
To: Milid

No. 2302, April 2nd.

Air Ministry request data on speech privacy equipment obtained by time division scrambling reference Signal Corps Contract no 12 with N D R C. They have the 3 reports on this subject issued by the NDRC. Are there any further developments? If so send details. Is system in use? Is equipment in production? Could a model be made available here? Reply requested.

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April 2, 1942
11:29 AM

From: London
To: MILID

No. 2303 April 2, 1942

British have an air navigation system by RDF known simply grpt G. Dr Ralph Bown of NDRC conversant technical details. System has been in use on bombing raids for about 4 weeks. Known to have been used in raids on Essen, Cologne and Lubeck all of which were very heavy and effective raids. Results of G system to date have been excellent. British believe it too early to give positive and considered opinion as to operational use. Attn Chief Army Air Forces and Chief Signal Officer. Will send additional data after more extensive trial.

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From: EDC
To: WDGBI MIs G-2

No. 06 EDC, April 2nd, 1942.

At 1120 GMT April 2 Observation plane dropped 2 bombs
on oil slick at 3535 North 7515 West no results observed.
At 1918 GMT April 2 A B - 18 sighted submarine on surface at
3638 North 7505 West 3 charges dropped within 10 feet
believed destroyed NR

Drum.

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7:05 P. M.

INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

From: EDC
To: His G-2 WDGBI

No. 19 EDC, April 2nd.

SS Liebre Soony Vacuum tanker was shelled at 0530 GMT April 2 at a point about 17 miles South of Cape Lookout, probably by 2 submarines, the crew left the ship but were later returned and resumed charge of the vessel which proceeded on her course later in the day. The 4 injured men and 2 bodies were brought ashore, reported by Chesapeake Bay Sector. It is estimated that 30 shells in all were fired. A British trawler in the vicinity dropped depth charges but without apparent results.

Haris.

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From: WDC and Fourth Army
To: WDGBI Mis G-2

No. 38, April 2nd, 1942

Intelligence Officer Fort Huachuca reports informant believed to be reliable states within next 30 days there will be attempted revolution Western Mexico backed by Axis Agents to cause internal disturbance sufficiently serious to require use of US Troops which will be used for propaganda purposes in South America. Informant expresses opinion that some Mexican Army Officers are sympathetic to this attempted revolution. Office Naval Intelligence Tucson states foregoing reports tie in with information they have. Our Liaison Officers with General Cardenas minimize these reports. This is periodic 274 12 noon PWT 2nd April. 11th Naval District reports flight 3 PBYS flying from Pearl Harbor to San Diego sighted hostile sub 350 miles West of San Diego at 0635 PWT 2 April. 1 PBV from San Diego sent to attack.

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From: EDC

To: WDGBI Mls G-2

No. 17 EDC, April 2nd, 1942.

At 0630 GMT March 27 or 28 at a point about 300 miles East of Cape Hatteras, 7600 ton Norwegian tanker Svender with a cargo of Admiralty oil bound from Curacao to Halifax was torpedoed and sunk, 29 of 37 in crew were rescued by the Portuguese ship Gunene and landed at Philadelphia on March 31. The other eight including the Officers were killed in the attack. From Eastern Sea Frontier.

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From: Bermuda

To: G-2

No. 56, April 2, 1942

First frequent showers visibility poor night
patrol cancelled due special mission

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From: Indigo
To: Milid

No. 114, April 2, 1942

Capabilities of enemy no change. Number 20 report.
In Norway hostile troops unchanged. April 2nd

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9:35 A. M.

From: Indigo
To: Milid

No 104, April 2, 1942

Your report 31st places Admiral Scheer at Kiel.
Admiralty report to Iceland puts Scheer at Trondheim
same date. Request verification and reply

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April 2, 1942
3:02 P. M.

PRIORITY

From: EDC
To: WDGBI MIS G-2 Commander in Chief U.S. Fleet Navy Dept.
No. 09 EDC, April 2nd, 1942.

Period ending noon GMT April 2 Air Activities:
Attacks 5: 1 by B 17 E at 1939 with 2 charges at
3650-7451 after sub crash dived effect none GMA 1
by 1 B-25 and 1 DB-7 at 2225 and 2240 GMT with 3
charges and 2 charges at 3559-7508 effect none, all
charges set at 50 feet, 1 by O-46 A at 2230 GMT with
2 100 pound bombs at 3547-7518 effect none, 1 by 1
O-46 A at 2327 with 1 bomb which landed 100 feet
from Port beam of submerged sub at 3552-7518 no
effect MMA 1 by 1 B-18 at 1118 GMT with 3 charges
at 3638-7505 on submarine on surface charges
landed within 10 feet believed successful, request
no publicity on last attack due to special equipment
employed. Missions reconnaissance 74 observation 80
civilian 47 otherwise negative. Weather good off
shore visibility 3 to 10 miles

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9:21 A. M.

From: Ambassador London
To: Milid

No. 2300, April 2, 1942.

Household effects of Lee shipped on steamship
Waterland, reference to your cable 1,219 our 2296,
McChrystals on Bristol City

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2:51 P. M.

From: London
To: G-2

No. 2305, April 2nd, 1942.

Clerk Fred M. Washburn submitted resignation to take effect as soon as replacement can be secured for purpose returning to United States own expense if necessary, volunteer as Flying Cadet. Man is proper age physically qualified sincerely patriotic. Services have been excellent. Recommend acceptance of resignation without prejudice upon arrival replacement and termination accumulated leave. Request qualified stenotypist replacement, Paul J. Culler if available

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3:41 P. M.

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PRIORITY

From: NBC
To: Millid

April 2nd, 1942. No. 33D

Merchant Vessel Foundation Aranmore sighted submarine
at four two four four North six five three five West at one
seven four zero GMT April second.

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CHWD
April 2, 1942
3:43 P.M.

PRIORITY

From: EDC
To: WDGBI MIS G-2

No. 15 EDC, April 2nd, 1942

Weather Newfoundland visibilities one half
to 9 miles ceiling 0 to 5000 feet, 1 reconnaissance
mission otherwise negative air activity report
ending noon GMT April 2

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1:22 A. M.

From: Cairo
To: Milid

No. 939, April 1, 1942

Armored Units now in Delta:

22d Armored Brigade consisting of 3d and 4th county of London Yeomanry and Royals. Has 1st priority to be equipped with 2 squadrons of British Cruisers, 1 squadron of 12 American Mediums per Regiment; will be ready for combat May 1st.

1st Armored Brigade; 1st tank, 6th tank; 4th Hussars. Is 3d priority to be equipped exclusively with American tanks. Each Regiment will have 2 squadrons of Medium, 1 squadron of Light. Should be ready for combat June 30th.

8th Armored Brigade; will operate as part of 10th Armored Division. Will be equipped similar to 4th Armored Brigade. It has 4th priority for allotment tanks. Ready for combat June 30th.

Army tank Brigades; 4th, 42nd, 44th tanks Regiments. Is equipped with 150th infantry. Is now ready for combat.

7th Armored Brigade; composed of odds and ends from 2nd 7th, 10th Armored Brigade.

At present tanks are arriving in Middle East faster than ever before. Present bottle neck is lack of technicians to man tanks, lack of Field Artillery, Antiaircraft and other services. Shortage of men has required British to cut Medium Tank Crews to only 6 men.

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No. 939, April 1, 1942.

Heavy tank losses since November 18th my 937 have necessitated feeding piecemeal great number replacement tanks. Excessive tank losses and control difficulties also indicate reorganization of Armored Divisions, my 459, which is now being effected. Consequently at present few Armored Brigades have had sufficient training with their new organization and equipment to possess high combat efficiency.

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3:00 P. M.

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From: Atlanta, Ga.
To: Military Intelligence Service

No. 199 April 2, 1942

Total current subversive cases 285 serious cases
9 miscellaneous 3 sabotage 7 espionage 16 disaffection
259 personnel 1,144 important defense strikes none.

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From: EDC
To: Mjld G-2

No.3EDC Second

Plane from 2nd bomb group Langley Field at 0718 GMT position 3638 N-7505 W sighted submarine on surface released 3 depth charges hull visible at time of release bombs landed 10 feet from side of hull believed to have sunk submarine 2nd bomb group will send out additional planes after daylight to intensify search of area reported by bomber command at 0801 GMT

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From: KDC
To: G-2 MIS

No. 08KDC Second

Principal submarine activity off KDC between cape Henry VA and Cape Lookout NC during period ending Noon GMT 2 April. Attacks on shipping 1 South of Cape Lookout on American Tanker by 2 submarines which fired at least 30 shells the fire started on tanker went out after the crew had left the tanker, Navy plans to bring tanker into port under her own power. Submarines sighted 2 off Cape Henry and 1 off Cape Hatteras. Attacks on Submarines for details of 5 attacks by army planes see today's Air activity report. Attacks on shipping elsewhere than off KDC 1 about 320 miles Northeast Bermuda reported by Federal Communications commission

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April 2, 1942

From AMCON CASA BLANCA, MOROCCO
For Action OPNAV
Information WD CMC
MCR 2695

The following Naval Craft was reported in Port as of noon, March 28: Jean Bart; Cruiser Primauguet; Destroyers Milan, Albatros and Egeriver; Torpedo Boats Tempete, Alcyon, Boulon Nais and Brestois; 1500 ton Submarines Acteon and Fresnel (Argo and Ceftaure out on cruise); 800 ton Submarines Pallas, Ceres, Iris, Venus and Antio (last three under repair); Sloop Dumont Durville; Patrol Boats Engageante and Gazelle (latter under repair); subchasers Boudeuse and Commandante Bory (latter under repair); armed Trawlers Sergeant Couarne, Setoise and Aspirant Burn (latter two under repair).

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April 2, 1942

From: Alusna Caracas

For Action: OPNAV

012325 NCR 2742

OPNAV 011300. No Venezuelan war vessels available. Customs launches will be instructed to assist in preventing vessels approaching Boca Grande but Venezuela assumes no responsibility. I believe any Venezuelan patrol will be ineffective. All Governmental operations here practically paralyzed for duration of Holy Week. Impossible to arrange for visit of Venezuelan officials to Trinidad until April 7.

Reference 011300 13 Orig: After consultation ambassador explore possibility Venezuelan assisting in patrol minefield until sufficient time elapsed to insure ships without radio having been warned. If reply favorable arrange details with NOB Trinidad. Inform department action taken.

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April 2, 1942.

From: ALUSNOB FREETOWN

For Action: OPNAV

War Dept. No. 011626 NCR 2598

My 211720 March. TPROEDOING of MUNSTER CASTLE in position. 12 North 12 West at 2100 March 30. Makes total for March 9 ships off Liberia.

Reference 231720, Alusnob Freetown Orig: My 121855. Three more mer ships sunk last 2 days all near Cape Palmas. This makes total 7 ships sunk off Liberia last 17 days. No US ships lost to date for I have begged and obtained escort for each individual American ship calling Liberia outward. Number escort vessels Royal Navy very limited and with volume American shipping this coast increasing rapidly anticipate difficulty in future obtaining preferential treatment given me to date. Have even had master US mer ship agree provisional escort off Liberia as means obviating return of escort to Freetown. Not much more can be done. Believe we are approaching point where we will have to do job ourselves or help Royal Navy with sub chasers or other escort craft there. Letter follows.

Reference 121855 is Secret.

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From: NewDelhi

To: Milid G-2

No.42 Thirtyfirst

Reference my cable number 33 Ne Army composed of 3 corps and 7 Garrison Battalions. WDGEI Ne Army HQ at Ranchi with 4 Ta corps mobile reserve consisting of 23rd Indian, 2 Brigades, A 70 British Division less 16 Brigade. 70 Div not completely concentrated at Ranchi until middle April. Calcutta corps not yet numbered consists of 4th Indian Brigade with mixed motor and animal transport at Jessore 71st Indian Brigade with mixed animal and motor transport at diamond Harbor 36 Indian Brigade with all motor transport at Midnabara. Assam corps not yet numbered consists 14th Indian Div less 63rd Brigade, now moving to Conillo area, concentration completed by 15th April, Has motor animal and small boat transport the first Indian Brigade with all animal transport completes concentration at Imphal area may first. It is now at Abbottabad. Additional Battalions in Ne Army are: 1 Indian Garrison Bn at Digboi Ne recon Bn at Digboi Ne Indian Garrison Bn at Chittagong 4 Bns, 2 Ind 2 Brit, at Calcutta and 1 Ind Garrison Bn at Bangriposi. Ne Army fairly well trained and equipped but have approx 50% of authorized allowances automatic weapons and infantry mortars exact status of weapons will be cabled this week. As indication of value Ind troops they are voluntary enlistments and must be taught to read takes 6 months train riflemen 8 to 10 Months Technicians. Battle order Ceylon Southern Army Burma corps central command and NW Army will follow by cable

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From: London
To: G-2

No. 2301, April 2, 1942.

Following Dep't sit Burma should be read connection with our 2291: Latest sitrep Burma as of three hrs GMT first says Jap road block at Shwedaung opened by Brit late thirtieth and all fcs sth of block reached Prome. Jap fcs Shwedaung reinforced ngt thirtieth and now estimated two Jap regts supported by several thou armed and organized Hermanns and Brit did not put on offensive against Shwedaung planned for thirtyfirst. Brit also lost contact with second enemy column believed remainder thirty third Jap Div moving Nth from Paungde. Also rep'd that in engagement on west bank Irrawaddy ngt twenty ninth Brit suffered heavy losses and Brit River Flotilla which as also engaged lost two ships. Complete Brit fce now Prome area and consists first Burma Div, seventeenth Indian Div and Seventh Arm'd Bgde all of which have had hard fighting and severe losses.

On Toungoo front rep'd that Chinese two hundredth and twenty second Divs have joined forces in Toungoo area but that Toungoo Town is in enemy hands. Latest known dispositions Chinese fcs follows: Two hundredth Div less two bns Karen Chaung seven mi east Yedashe, one bn ten mi stheast Toungoo and one bn ten mi sthwest at Yeshan. Twenty second Div holding line east west thru Nangyun. One army reserve regt Kyungon. Ninety sixth Div less one regt Pyinmana one regt Yedashe. Fifty fifth Div less two regts Taunggyi one regt area Loikav-Mawchi one regt Thazi.

Japs still have complete control air and maintained intense activity during fighting sth of Prome. Nagwe twice bmb'd thirty first damage rep'd nil. Lashio Ry Station and landing field also bmb'd but damage rep'd negligible.

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Considered by well informed quarters here that India plan as presented has no repeat no chance acceptance by India. Indian demand for complete control own defence apparently basic point of disagreement. One well informed source here says if he were Brit Govt he would yield that point as he believes if Indians given it they would soon call on Brit for help or to take over.

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From ALUSNOB COLOMBO

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Clan Macinnes reports sub attack at
1046z 31st position 750 North 7330 East.
Catalina sighted sub 2320z 31st position 411
North 82 East course 300. Jap force 3 cast
love 4 dog dog 2 affirm tare landed troops
Christmas Island 000 zed 31st. Jap plane
driven off 10 miles East of Trinco morning 1st.

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April 2, 1942

To: ALUSNA LONDON

FOR ACTION: OPNAV
INFORMATION: WAR DEPT. MESSAGE CENTER

NCR 2534

Daily serial 1. British Muncaster Castle torpedded at 2155 March 30 posit 02-09 North 12-02 West. British clan Macinnees attacked by submarine at 1146 yesterday posit 07-48 North 73-30 East. British Robert William Pomeroy mined and sunk at 0355 today posit 53-10 North 01-10 East. British coal Hulk Londoncity bombed and sunk at 1343 yesterday posit Brigham Harbor. British Induna and British Empire Ranger in prep queen 13 bombed and sunk about March 28 posit off Northern Norwegian coast. Harpalion serial 30 arrived safely. One craft king George 40 from Trondheim active West Southwesterly direction on shipping reconnaissance yesterday but other movements unknown

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From: COMWESTSEAFRON

For: Action OPNAV
Information COM 11

WEINSTOCK 011958 NCR 2597

MYDIS 301920* if approved COM 11 will dispatch
Crystal with temporary crew leaving San Diego about
April 4 for reconnaissance Clipperton via Clarion
Southbound and Socorro group Northbound.

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April 2, 1942

From: ALUSNA MEXICO CITY

For: Action OPNAV

WEINSTOCK 011805 NCR 2621

REF OPNAV 272242* of March. Consul Guaymas reports no action to remove dangerous Japanese and Germans within short distance of coast from Mayo and Yaqui Valleys. Wilhelm Hesselman former German Consul Guaymas and Nazi leader in area conferring with Japanese at Navojoa on March 31. Consul of opinion situation dangerous in view of reference. COM 11 informed.

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April 2, 1942
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From: Ft. Mills
To: The Adjutant General

No. 679, April 2, 1942

Last night enemy attacked the center of our position on Bataan and penetrated the outpost. Our troops had quietly withdrawn to permit the enemy to enter the pocket. Thereafter an artillery concentration was placed in the area in conjunction with which our troops advanced and restored the outpost position. Again this morning at 10 o'clock enemy troops were massed in front of the left center of our line. A coordinated attack was launched accompanied by heavy artillery and rifle fire. Intense fighting followed in which the hostile attacking force made a slight penetration of the main line of resistance. Again the pocket was closed and hostile units which had been cut off are now in process of being mopped up. The main line of resistance has been restored. Enemy losses believed to be heavy while we suffered few casualties. Enemy Air Corps continue to bomb and strafe front lines and rear areas on Bataan. Intermittent enemy aerial action continues over Corregidor. Bombing ineffective. Three heavy bombers shot down during past twenty four hours by anti-aircraft artillery and one other was seen to blow up and fall into Manila Bay. The latter not claimed by anti-aircraft. Harbor defense batteries interdicted enemy targets again on south shore of Manila Bay. No activity of consequence in Visayan or Mindanao areas.

Wainwright

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Tangier
To: Milid

No. 116, April 1st, 1942

French continue mining bridges and tunnels in
all North Africa against any foreign invasion.

Spanish continue defensive intrenchments along
Atlantic coast area and along French Morocco
border increased activity noted but nothing definite.

Bentley.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Cairo
To: Milid

No. 937 March 31st, 1942

When war started British had control of air, numerical superiority in artillery, anti-tank guns, tanks, personnel. British 25-pounder gun is superior to any axis weapon.

Conclusion: 1. German anti-tank and tank guns out range those of British. 2. British failure at times to make best use of enemy intelligence. 3. Failure to reconnoiter enemy positions for guns and mines. 4. Failure to clear enemy mine field. 5. Inability to silence anti-tank guns.

In other words British were unable to integrate their artillery, anti-tank, infantry, tanks, air team into a balanced force, pinning down enemy, destroying him.

It appears British have finally realized this deficiency and are making an effort to correct it.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Lisboa
To: Milid Wash DC

No: 260, April 1st, 1942.

Small medical detachment went to Capes March 31st
reported Germans are buying many farms in portugal
regardless of price bad omen.

Shipp

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From: Madrid
To: Milid

No. 121, April 1st.

Situation unchanged.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From Cairo

To: G-2

No. 941, April 1, 1942.

Source [redacted] just returned from Turkey.
Believed reliable.

Very few German troops in Greece and Bulgaria but on Lemnos Germans have built large air fields. Believe that there is little chance of an attack on Turkey by Germans but should Germany attack in force Turks will not fight. If attacked by Bulgarians they will fight. Report some traffic of German soldiers from Athens to Libya by air.

Tellers

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March 30, 1942
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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: New Delhi
To : Milid

No. 37, March 29, 1942

For Colonel Kroner WDGBI status proposed territorial reorganization army: Approved by GHQ in principle March 14 subject to comments present territorial commanders deadline April 1 and subsequent financial sanction. New Northwestern army includes present Peshawar Kohat Waziristan Rawalpindi districts with responsibility Kashmir and Gilgit Chitral agencies also present Western District less Sind District but renamed Baluchistan.

Agriunegoddiantlenn headquarters not available. North-eastern army includes Assam and Presidency Districts. Headquarters Ranchi. Southern army includes Deccan independent area Madras District bracket comprising Bangalore area Madras area Madras defended port area all to be administered direct from Madras district HQ bracket Bombay district generally including remainder South of Tapti River. HQ Poona Central Command repeat Command HQ.

O Re United Provinces and Jubbulpore districts. Reorganization to proceed by phases North Eastern army phase apparently in progress or completed: 3 other phases officially 1st effective April 4 2nd May 15th and 3rd bracket Northwest bracket to be filed later but all dates to be advanced if possible.

Details and map follow. Troop dispositions later. Note this is not yet approved but undoubtedly will be therefore please conceal source and prevent leakage. See my cable number 33.

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No. 37, March 29, 1942

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