

SECRET
No. 5/24/40.

C.S.

1940.

S. of S. Secret Telegram

SUBJECT.

19 40

9th April.

BRITISH PROTECTION OF NORWEGIAN AND OTHER

SHIPPING

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Y.E.

In reference to para 2. of (27) red. I would suggest that a telegram be sent to S. of S. informing him that there is now an N.O.I.C. here acting under direct orders from the Admiralty. He receives copies of these instructions directly & as commanding officer also deals with all ships.

Then with, of the telegram to sent, to a saving in telegrams & avoidance of a possible clash in cross-orders, as well as our responsibility being lifted. For after all the control of shipping is entirely in the hands of the Admiralty.

AD 23/IV/40

N.B.

The cross-purposes & orders I refer to are made clear in red (27) in para number 1. The Admiralty sent message decyphered read

"Release named vessels unless they have reason to believe this will involve

serious risk of losing control
over it

This makes sense whereas our
message did not, & shows the risk
incurred in the duplication of
sending messages through two departments.

[Signature]

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I put up a further telegram
received last night. They may have
realised what is happening — unless
I get more maritime circulars, the
position may rest.

~~11/11/40~~ 23/4/40

30. Telegram from Admiralty of 23/4/40.

31. S. of S. Telegram Civ. Mas. No. 4 of 23/4/40

32. Telegram to Admiralty of 24/4/40.

33-34. Minute from Naval Officer in charge, 24/4/40.

35. S. of S. Civ. Mas. Telegram No. 6 of 28/4/40.

N.O. i/c.

to note her 35.

[Signature]
C. J. J.
29/4/40.

C.S./

Noted.

[Signature] 30.4.40.

Letter from Norwegian Consul, 27/4/40. 36.
S. of S. Circ. Mas. telegram, No. 7 of 29/4/40. 37

Treasurer
Please see (23) rec. & prepare telegram showing amount paid under this guarantee to each & every vessel. This should not be further under to done monthly. *[Signature]* 1-4/40

How C.S.

Seen. Thank you.

Draft telegram resumes: -

(23) "No..... Secret. Report Secret unnumbered Circular telegram 15th April. Disbursements have been made in respect of Norwegian tankers as follows: - "Panga" £17-16-3; "Kollbjorg" £nt.-4-9; Total £42-1-0. Settlement is being effected locally against Advances - Imperial Govt."

[Signature]
2/5/40

A.C.S.
f.u.v.n.a.

[Signature] 3/4/40
S. of S. Telegram Circ. Mas. No. 8 of 30/4/40. 38.
" " " " 9 " " " 39.

Can above telegram be despatched please in I.D.C.?

[Signature]
3/5/40

I do not read any intention of H.M. Govt. to defray disbursements but merely to give the guarantee to the local agent. In these cases the F.I.C. are I think the local agents and they should take the primary burden. Do you not agree?

[Signature] 4/5/40

Y.E.

These payments were not by any agent, as the vessels had gone here - but they were advised by the Norwegian Court. In which case the Admiralty guarantee in my opinion functions & they, in England, will probably receive from the owners.

AD 9/2/40

40. Telegram pub by
H.H.H. 6/5/40

- 41. S. of S. Cir. Mar. Telegram no. 10 of 6/5/40.
- 42. S. of S. Telegram Cir. Mar. no. 11 of 6/5/40.
- 43. " " " " 12 of 7/5/40.

A.C.S.

Please note f.n.a. the last sentence in

(42)

AD 10/1/40

H. 2/6/40
C.V.S. 10/5/40

- 44. S. of S. Cir. Mar. Tel. no. 13 of 12/5/40.
- 45. " " " " 17 of 27/5/40.

Non. F.S.

Will you kindly furnish the information requested in Red (42) for transmission to the S. of S.

C.V.S. 5/6/40

Hanes

No further disbursements have been made since my minute of 2/5/40. please.

[Signature]
6/6/40

Schedule (in duplicate) with supporting vouchers - (In all 242-1-0) submitted herewith, please
[Signature] 7/6/40

Despatch, No. 79 to S. of S. of 10.6.40.

Ho

Y.E.

For your signature, please.

[Signature] 10/11/40

~~10/6/40~~

Despatch, No. 50 from S. of S. of 10/6/40. 47-49.

" No. 51 " S. of S. " 10/6/40. 50-51.

Letter from Crown Agents for the Colonies of 3/9/40. 52.

Non. S. S.

no note.

[Signature]
13/1/40.

Hanes

Noted.
[Signature]
13/11/40

3 p.m. from S. of S. of 1. 11. 40.

53-54.

Non. S. S.

no note.

[Signature]
3/1/41.

Hanes

Noted.
[Signature]
3/1/41

S. of S. Secret Savings Telegram of 5/11/40.

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P.A.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 112. *From* Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 9th ~~1/11~~ April 19 40 *Time* : 14.55.

Received : 19 *Time* :

Most Immediate.

Unnumbered Circular Secret. My~~self~~ immediately preceding telegram~~s~~.

All Swedish Finnish or Latvian ships bound for any Scandinavian Danish or Baltic ports should be prevented from sailing~~ing~~ on some pretext until further orders from me. They should not however be formally detained under Defence Regulations.

C.O.I.D.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary.

To The Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched : 9th April, 19 40. *Time* : 1703 Z/10.

Received : ... 19 *Time* :

Most Immediate.

No. 38. Secret. All Norwegian and Danish ships are to be taken under British protection and you should detain any such ships in harbour. All Swedish Finnish or Latvian ships bound for Scandinavian Danish or Baltic ports should be prevented from sailing on some pretext until further orders from me. If any Norwegian ships detained as above claim to be under charter to neutrals please report particulars.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 131 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 10th April 19 40 Time: 17.00.

Received: 19 Time:

Most Immediate.

Circular Unnumbered Secret My telegram April 9th Secret
Norwegian and Danish Shipping. Please telegraph in respect of
any ships detained;- (1) Name of ship (2) Port at which ~~lying~~
lying (3) Port to which bound (4) Whether loaded loading or in
ballast (5) Nature of cargo.

Rec'd

I.D.

DECODE.

TELEGRAM.

From The Colonial Secretary.

To The Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched : **10th April,** 19 **40.** Time :

Received : ... 19 Time :

Most Immediate.

Red (3) No. 39. Secret. My telegram 9th April No. 38 please telegraph in respect of any Norwegian and Danish ships detained (1) Name of ship (2) Port at which lying (3) Port to which bound (4) Whether loaded loading or in ballast (5) Nature of cargo.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 150

From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 11th April 19 40 Time : 19.30.

Received : 19 Time :

Red (2)

Circular Unnumbered Secret Reference to my telegram April 9th saying Swedish, Finnish and Latvian ships bound for Scandinavian or Baltic ports should be prevented from sailing on some pretext. As regards Swedish ships please now discreetly place all obstacles in the way of sailing for any destination. For this purpose suggest that you delay but not actually deny supplies of bunkers and any considerable quantity of ships stores and provisions etc.

I.D.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary,

To Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched: 12th April, 19 40. *Time*: ...

Received: 19 ... *Time*: ...

Red 3.

No. 40. Secret. My telegram 9th April No. 38 as regards Swedish ships please now discreetly place all obstacles in the way of sailing for any destination. For this purpose suggest that you delay but not actually deny supplies of bunkers and any considerable quantity of ships stores and provisions, etc.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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Originator Instructions:
(Indication of Priority,
AIDAC, NOTWT
For Exercise).

INTERCEPT GROUP.

URGENT

TO:

SECRETARY STANLEY

FROM:

SOUTH GEORGIA

Colonial Secretary from Magistrate

Re (5) No. 48 Secret Your Telegram No. 39 Secret
One Norwegian vessel detained. 1. Name
of vessel STROMBUS

2. Leith Harbour 3. Port in the U.K.
4. Loading 5. Whale oil.

Vessel is owned by SALVESEN of Leith.

She will be ready for sea about 15th April

(Biscuits)

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TELEGRAM.

From His Excellency the Governor,.....

To Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Despatched : 13th April, 19 40. *Time* : ...

Received : 19 ... *Time* : ...

Unnumbered. Secret. Your telegram 10th April Secret

One Norwegian vessel detained (1) STROMBUS (2) Leith Harbour
South Georgia (3) Port in the United Kingdom (4) loading
(5) Whale Oil. Vessel owned by Salvesen of Leith.

Red H.

GOVERNOR.

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TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary,

To Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched : 13th April, 19 40. Time : ...

Received : 19 ... Time : ...

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No. 41. Reference my telegram No. 39 and your reply No. 48 Norwegian ships on British or French charter may be permitted to proceed to allied ports. This will release Strombus. But permission to leave only if armed guard is placed on board to ensure that ship is not diverted to other purposes and that she will not touch at any neutral port en route. Suggest you select three of the British subjects who are going home attesting them first as members of the Defence Force. Telegraph action.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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Rugby

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INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:
Brit. Consul EA (R) C-in-C SA, NASAD, SO (I) MV.

FROM:
Admiralty

Your 1340 11th April.

You should inform Danish Consul and masters ~~and~~ all Danish vessels that message sent to them telling them to proceed to Italy Spain or other neutral ports was made under German dictation and should be disregarded. Masters Danish vessels which proceed to allied ports will be treated as friends. Such vessels will receive every protection by British Admiralty.

1545/13.

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RUGBY

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INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO: RASAD-S.A. Squadron-BNA BA- SO(I) MV-NOIC Psy-ANA Rio
NCSOs in Freetown area- (R)Admiralty.

FROM:
C-in-C SA.

Following is a repetition of my 1700 12th April passed to NCSOs in
Freetown area by L/T in SP 02214(3) begins. Cancel my 1121 10th
april not to all addressees. Following from Admiralty. All Norweg-
ian ships are to be sent into an allied port on some pretext or other
All Norwegian ships in British ports or arriving or sent in subseq-
uently are to be detained until further orders. Ends. Suggested
pretexts are (a) to receive latest orders from Norwegian Govern-
ment who are our allies. (b) obtain best protection against armed
raiders. Admiralty further reports German inspired B'cast from
Copenhagen orders all Danish ships to put into Italian or Mexican

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Originators Instructions:
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INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:

FROM:

Mexican/

ports and report their arrival, trying eventually to reach
home ports. Every endeavour is to be made to prevent ships from
complying.

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BA 2500/12.

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AIDAC, NOTWT
For Exercise).

IMPORTANT B N R

INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:

Admiralty (R) C-in-C SA - RASAD - SO(I) MV - ANA Ric. BNA BA

FROM:

Your signal 12th April addressed NCSO BA do not anticipate dif-
ficulty with Norwegians once their insurance is assured.

See NCSO's 1840 11th April. Most Norwegian ships are at present
insured in Norway and re-insured in Germany. Presume Danish ships
should if they can sail in ballast rather than risk possibilities
of legal quibbles arising during time taken in loading. Danish
Minister informs me that a conference of Danish ship owners and
agents is now sitting in New York to decide what common action
should be taken by Danish ships. See Ambassador's 178 of today to

Foreign Office. 1825/12.

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AIDAC, NOTWT
For Exercise).

INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO: *Magistrate South Georgia.*

FROM:
N.O. i/c. Psy.

*Following instructions from Admiralty stop all Norwegian
ships in British Ports or arriving at or sent in
Subsequently are to be detained until further orders.*

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AIDAC, NOTWT
For Exercise).

INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:

C-in-C, SA - SO(1) Freetown (R) RASAI.

FROM:

N.O.i/c. Psy.

Norwegian ship STROMBUS detained Leith Harbour
South Georgia bound U.K. will be ready for
sea 15th April //

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From H. E.

(17)

H.E.

Red (9)

Attached was not
sent as it was not
seen by me until this
morning

I understand that
leave today with a pass
a board Please explain
that the instructions are
not to call at any
Neutral Port

Red (10)

~~W.H.S.~~ 18/4/40

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TELEGRAM.

No. 203 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 13th April 19 40 Time: 20.15.

Received: 19 Time:

Reas (2) 4
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Circular Unnumbered Secret. Following supercedes previous instructions regarding Swedish Finninsh and Latvian ships in my Telegrams Circular April 9th and April 11th. Begins. All Swedish Finnish Latvian Estonian and Lithuanian ships bound for any Scandinavian, Danish, Baltic port or any Russian or Finnish port in Artic should be prevented from sailing on some pretext until further orders from me but not formally detained under Defence Regulations. Ends.

I.D.

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only.

South Georgia

ZBH 61

(21)

Originators Instructions:
(Indication of Priority,
AIDAC, NOTWT
For Exercise).

INTERCEPT GROUP.

INDICATED

TO:

345-1007 P. STANLEY

FROM:

Magistrate

Magistrate
Colonial Secretary
No. 49 Reference
your H.L. With reference to placing of an
armed guard on the Norwegian ship STROMBUS
may I submit for the Governor's
consideration that some alternative means of
ensuring vessel's certain arrival in the
United Kingdom be adopted. I very much
fear the placing of an armed guard on board
what may now be termed an Allied ship /

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61/2 Secretary Pt. Sty from Mag. S. Georgia 55

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United ship /

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will be certain to be looked upon by the Norwegians as an insult inasmuch as its presence on board would appear to question their patriotism and their loyalty to the United cause and furthermore might subsequently endanger existing friendly relations between the two countries. In any case

I do not think I could get men with sufficient knowledge of navigation to be able to know where vessel was going when once at sea. Again could I force Captain to take these men should he refuse?

I beg to suggest as an alternative that as the ship is British owned that the owners be required by H. M. Home Government to enter into a bond guaranteeing vessel would not

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across

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Secretary P. S. Magistrate S. G.

put into a neutral port or

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say

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(price)

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Originators Instructions:
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INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:

H-m. Col: Sec

FROM:

No. 1/2

Enclosed signal from 5th Legation for your attention.

What does "A" do?

A further signal is coming through now - please
waiting for it.

RRMackin.

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Office.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 236 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 15th April 19 40 Time : 21.05.

Received : 19 Time :

Important. Secret Unnumbered Circular.

Norwegian ships. His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have ~~afforded~~ guaranteed payment of any necessary disbursements by local agents in respect to Norwegian ships in their ports. Please inform Norwegian Consular representative of their guarantee. Particulars of any amount guaranteed under this arrangement should be notified to me immediately.

I.D.

S/24/40.

16th April,

40.

Sir,

In the event of any compulsory detention of Norwegian ships, His Majesty's Government have guaranteed payment of any necessary disbursements by local agents in the ports of detention.

2. Please notify me immediately of the particulars of such amounts under this arrangement.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(sgd) *W. C. Cardwell*
Colonial Secretary.

Honorary Norwegian Consul,
STANLEY.

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TELEGRAM.

From Colonial Secretary,

To Magistrate, South Georgia.

Despatched : 17th April, 1940. Time : ...

Received : 19 ... Time : ...

No. 43. Telegraph if Strombus has sailed. **Movements**
of allied ships are controlled by Admiralty. **Accept orders**
concerning them from Naval Officer in Charge here to whom
refer for instructions.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

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2355/19/4/40

SOUTH GEORGIA

No.69.

(26)

Originators Instructions:
(Indication of Priority,
AIDAC, NOTWT
For Exercise).

INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO: Secretary Stanley.

FROM:

Red (25) Colonial Secretary from Magistrate Number 51 Your 43

VESSEL REFERRED TO HAS NOT YET SAILED.

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TELEGRAM.

27

No. 273.

From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 19th April 19 40 Time : 05.45.

Received : 19 Time :

Circular Maritime No 1 Secret,

Norwegian Ships. Following instructions have been issued by Admiralty to Naval Commands. Begins. A Committee has now been established at Ministry of Shipping in London, on which M. Hysing Olsen represents Norwegian shipowners, to control movements of Norwegian shipping. Mr. Olsen will issue instructions direct to masters of Norwegian ships and these will be communicated by the Admiralty to Commander-in-Chief concerned, who should take action as follows:-

(1) Release of named vessel forwarding route reason for believing that this will involve serious risk of losing heavy over it. In this case immediate report should be made and vessel held meanwhile.

(2) Obtain from Master written undertaking not to proceed to any neutral port except for passage of Panama Canal or for any neutral port specifically named in directions. Commanders-in-Chief should arrange to obtain this undertaking through most appropriate authorities.

(3) Armed guards may be dispensed with at Commander-in-Chief's discretion provided he is satisfied that Master for any his undertaking. This discretion does not apply in the Mediterranean. Vessels instructed to call at neutral ports or to transit Panama Canal must not repeat not have armed guards.

(4) Masters should be warned that deviation to a neutral port except in compliance with instructions will automatically invalidate insurance cover granted by Ministry of Shipping; in addition names of ships released in accordance with the above instructions. Commanders-in-Chief are authorized to release two categories of ships as described below. Such vessels it is advised are held covered by Ministry of Shipping against war and marine risks as long as they comply with Commanders-in-Chief's instructions. Master should telegraph particulars voyage for insurance cover to Hysing Olsen London.

(a) Norwegian ships on allied charter sailing between British and French ports. (b) Norwegian ships other than tankers, engaged in a trade between Persian ports in which they were regularly employed before detention. Undertaking not to call at neutral ports must be obtained. Provision for armed guards under (a) and (b) of this paragraph will be at Commander-in-Chief's discretion as under the impression above if undertaking is obtained. Ends.

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2. As regards particular ships detained in Colonial ports instructions to masters from Olsen will be telegraphed through Colonial Office and Governor.

3. In any case doubt regarding ships referred to in Admiralty instructions whether "named ships" or "category ships" suggest you communicate direct with appropriate Naval Commander-in-Chief.

4. On any other points arising in regard to Norwegian ships please communicate with me.

TELEGRAM.

No. 297 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governnor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 22nd. April 19 40 Time: 03.20.

Received: 19 Time:

Immediate.

Rec 27

Circular Maritime No. 2 Secret with reference to my Telegram Circular Maritime. The following instructions despatched to all British Naval Authorities at home and abroad regarding moving Norwegian vessels, and next repeated for your guidance. Begins.

1. Norwegian vessels intercepted at sea may now be allowed to proceed (1) if bound for an allied port without intermediate call at a neutral port or (2) if loaded with cargo for any port in the following countries or (3) if now committed to load cargo at such ports. The following are countries to which vessels may be allowed to proceed. (a) Portugal, Portuguese possessions and Greece. (b) Turkey, Egypt, Iraq and Iran. (c) Thai, Japan, China and Manchoukwo not further north than Port Arthur. (d) All countries of American continent including United States possessions and West Indian islands but not repeat not Mexico, Chile, Cuba, or Dutch possessions. Tankers are excluded from category (a) and (c) and will be dealt with by specific instructions. Vessels proceeding as above should be warned to be ready to follow immediately any further instructions received from Hysing Olsen representing Norwegian shipowners ~~acting representing Norwegian Government~~ and acting with authority of Norwegian Government and in collaboration with Norwegian Government representatives in all foreign countries. Such instructions will be transmitted to British or French Navies or by British French or Norwegian Government representatives overseas in accordance with decision taken in London. Masters should be warned on no account to put into ports in other countries except on receiving explicit instructions from the authorities above. Masters should acknowledge receipt of this message and undertake that they will follow instructions.

2. Calls for bunkers may be permitted at neutral ports in countries at which calls are permitted by paragraph 1 of last paragraph

3. Norwegian vessels detained in allied ports may be permitted to proceed as in paragraph 1.

4. Vessels proceeding in accordance with permission given under 1, 2, and 3 of the above may be informed that provided they proceed ~~in~~ in accordance with instructions they are covered for Marine and War Risk Insurance under arrangements made between Norwegian and British Governments. This insurance will be automatically invalidated if ships depart from instructions.

5. Norwegian vessels now in neutral ports if proceeding in fulfillment of existing commitments as permitted by paragraph 1 above are also covered for insurance purposes as in paragraph 4.

6. Specific instructions from London regarding particular voyages to ports excluded by paragraph 1 will be issued as necessary.

7. Please report referring this signal all ships proceeding under these instructions with particulars of voyages.

8. Norwegian vessels other than those regularly engaged on a liner service prior to invasion of Norway must have approval from Norwegian authorities in London before undertaking new commitments or extension of present commitments and should telegraph Hysing Olsen London for this purpose. Please warn all Norwegian ships accordingly.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 297 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 22nd April 19 40 Time : 16.35.

Received : 19 Time :

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Reds. 27 & 28.
Norwegian ships. My Circular Telegram Maritime No. 2. Reports referred to in Paragraph 7 are to be made by Naval Reporting Authorities under Vasca system. There is therefore no need in future to report to the Colonial Office information regarding ships whose movements are authorised under general Admiralty instructions recorded in my Circular Maritime No.1 or No. 2 or any further general instructions which may be issued.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 312 From Admiralty, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 23rd April 19 40 *Time* : 17.07.

Received : 19 *Time* :

Governor Falkland Islands from Admiralty Please report whether
Norwegian ships Kollbjorg and Vincris have been allowed to proceed
on their voyage to Peru.

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TELEGRAM. SENT.

From His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

To Admiralty, London.

Despatched: 24th April 19 40 *Time:*

Received: 19 *Time:*

Red (30) From Governor Falkland Islands the reply to your telegram 17.07 of the 23rd April is in the negative.

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INTERCEPT GROUP.

TO:

Naval Officer-in-Charge Port Stanley.

FROM:

Admiralty

Your 2004 17th April.

Norwegian Captain 'KOLLBJORG' should be detained pending further
instructions.

2300/18.

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(It is requested that, in any reference to this minute, the above Number and the date may be quoted.)

MINUTE.

April!
24th March

1940.

From

Naval Officer-in-Charge,

Stanley, Falkland Islands.

To His Excellency the Governor,

The Falkland Islands.

Your Excellency,

I am detaining all Norwegian ships pending direct instructions from Admiralty or C-in-C SA. Enclosed is last signal containing instructions for 'Kollbjorg'.

Following are names of ships detained:-

LJLX 'Kollbjorg'. LDDQ 'Vinga'. LJKN 'Athos'.

I am, your Excellency's obedient servant,

RSM arlin.

Commander, R.N.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 357 From Secretary of State, London,.....

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 28th April 19 40 Time: 02.20.

Received: 19 Time:

Circular Maritime No. 6 Secret. Officers and crews of Danish ships. Possibility that some Danish seamen may be hindered from or undesirous of serving on Danish ships used in allied interest has been under ~~consideration~~ consideration. It is considered that ~~majority~~^j would be suitable but that some individuals may either be undesirable (r) undesirable owing to Nazi sympathies or unwilling owing to fear of reprisals being taken by Germans on dependents in Denmark or for other reasons.

2. Procedure in United Kingdom is that all members of Danish crews will be examined by Immigration Officers in consultation with representatives of Security Service, Naval Authorities and Danish Consular Officers (where last mentioned are available and willing to assist) with object of ascertaining whether (a) likely to engage in hostile activities who ought not to be allowed to sail or (b) unwilling to serve under British flag.

3. Those in category (a) will be refused permission to land and removed from ship~~s~~ for detention. Deportation order would be made under Article 12 (6)(c) of Aliens Order their detention in custody pending clearer ultimate disposal. Those in category (b) would be allowed to take service in neutral vessels, except those on time charter to Allied Governments or to make their way back to their country of origin.

4. You will no doubt arrange, after consulting your advisors, for action to be taken so far as possible on similar lines if situation arises.

I.D.C.O.

THE ROYAL NORWEGIAN CONSULATE,
STANLEY, FALKLAND ISLANDS,

27th April, 1940.



Sir,

I have to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. S/24/40 dated 16th April, 1940 advising me that His Majesty's Government have guaranteed payment of any necessary disbursements by local agents on behalf of Norwegian ships.

Accounts, as incurred, will be forwarded to your office.

I am,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

W. B. Rank
KON. NORSK KONSULAT
* PORT STANLEY *
Consul.

The Honourable

The Colonial Secretary,

Stanley.

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TELEGRAM.

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No. 3666 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 29th April 1940 Time: 13.40.

Received: 19 Time:

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No. 7 Circular Maritime Secret with reference to my telegram of April 13th Circular unnumbered Swedish ships with cargoes for Scandinavian, Danish or Baltic ports and Russian or Finnish ports in Artic should now be allowed to proceed, but should be advised to proceed to a United Kingdom port.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 372 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 30th April 19 40 Time: 00.45.

Received: 19 Time:

Red (28) Circular Maritime No. 8 My Circular Maritime No. 2 Norwegian ships may now proceed to Cuba, Chile, Iceland. Effect of this and certain other recent alterations is that the following supercedes categories (a) to (d) in paragraph 1 Begins (a) Greece (b) Iceland, Turkey, Egypt, Iraq, Iran, Portugal Portuguese possessions (c) Thailand, Japan, China, Manchukuo not north of Darien (d) all countries of the American continent including United States possessions and Philippines, West Indian islands, but not repeat not Mexico or Dutch possessions. Tankers are ~~not~~ excluded from categories (a) and (c) Ends.

G. T. C.

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TELEGRAM.

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No. 374 From Secretary of State, London,.....

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched : 30th April 19 40 Time : 03.40.

Received : 19 Time :

Circular Maritime No. 9 Norwegian ships.

By Royal Decree April 20th 1940 all Norwegian ships of more than 500 tons gross have been placed at the disposal of the Royal Norwegian Government.

To put this decree into effect Norwegian Government has established a shipping and trade mission in London (telegraphic address Nortra-ship Stock London) under Mr. Lorentzon who has full powers to act for his Government.

The organization established by the Norwegian Minister in London with Mr. Hysing Olsen is now incorporated in Royal Mission and orders given by Minister and Mr. Olsen are still in force.

2. Effect of this developement on present procedure for dealing with Norwegian shipping is under consideration and for the present existing instructions stand.

G. T. C.

DECODE.

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TELEGRAM. SENT.

From His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

To Secretary of State, London,

Despatched: 6th May 19 40 *Time:*

Received: 19 *Time:*

No. 49 Secret Your telegram unnumbered Circular Secret of 15th April Disbursements have been made in respect of Norwegian tankers as follows: S.S. Venga £17 . 16 . 3 ; S.S. Kollbjorg £24 . 4 . 9 ; total £42 . 1. As above vessels had no local agents settlement of accounts is being effected locally and charged as an advance to Imperial Government.

I.D.

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TELEGRAM.

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No. 32 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 6th May 19 40 Time: 19.25
Received: 19 Time:

Red (39)

Circular Maritime No. 11 With reference to my telegram No. 9 Circular Maritime Norwegian Consuls abroad have now been notified by the Norwegian Minister here that the Royal Norwegian Shipping and Trading Mission in London now guarantees proper accounts previously incurred, current accounts and future accounts in respect of Norwegian ships under the Norwegian flag trading on approved voyages and enquiries received locally might be referred to nearest Norwegian Consular representative. Norwegian currency held by Norwegian seamen should not be exchanged for sterling. Exchange question is now a matter for Norwegian Consuls to take up with the Norwegian Government.

2. For the time being the arrangements already made by which H.M. Government agrees to guarantee the due payment of disbursements etc. properly made on behalf of a Norwegian ship remain valid in urgent cases. If necessary any disbursements in case of sickness or injuries to Norwegian seamen may be dealt with in this way. Block totals of any amount guaranteed by the Government should be cabled to me fortnightly and details forwarded by despatch so that refund may be made to the Crown Agents for the Colonias.

G. T. C.

● DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 38 From Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 7th May 19 40 *Time:* 12.10

Received: 19 *Time:*

Rea (38)

Circular Maritime No. 12 Norwegian ships. My Circular Maritime No. 8 in Paragraph 2 Belgium should be added to Category B thus becoming a permitted country for all vessels.

G.T.C.

● DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 88 *From* Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 12th May 19 40 *Time:* 03.55.

Received: 19 *Time:*

Red (28)

Circular Maritime No. 13 my circular telegram Maritime No. 2 and subsequent amendments. Netherlands East Indies should now be added to category (B) and Dutch possessions are no longer to be excepted from category (d). Thus all Norwegian vessels including tankers may now proceed to ports in Dutch Colonial Territories.

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● DECODE.

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TELEGRAM.

No. 197 *From* Secretary of State, London,

To His Excellency the Governor, Falkland Islands.

Despatched: 27th May 19 40 *Time:* 16.10.

Received: 19 *Time:*

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No. 17 Circular Maritime my circular telegram No. 13. Norwegian vessels including tankers may now proceed to Eire which should therefore be added to category (b) in previous instructions.

C.O.1.

13067/40. Pt. II.

27 June, 1940.

Sir,

5.6.40.

I am directed by Lord Lloyd to transmit to you, to be laid before the Minister of Shipping, a copy of a despatch from the Governor of Sierra Leone about advances made by that Government on account of Norwegian shipping during May, 1940.

2. The statement and vouchers are also enclosed in original and I am to suggest that after examination this claim may be forwarded to the Norwegian Trade and Shipping Mission for settlement; and that if it is accepted the sum of £59.17.6 may be paid to the funds of the Government of Sierra Leone at the Crown Agents for the Colonies and this Department informed when this has been done.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) J. A. CALDER

THE SECRETARY,
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING.

S/24/40.

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Reference to previous correspondence :-

~~Secretary of State for the Colonies~~
Governor's despatch No. 79

of 10th June, 1940.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 50.



DOWNING STREET,

26th August, 1940.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you, for your information,
copies of the paper noted below ~~on the subject of~~

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

humble servant,

LLOYD.

The Officer Administering
the Government.

Name and Date.	Subject.
To the Ministry of Shipping of the 22nd of July, 1940.	Advances made on account of the Government of Norway.

Copy.

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ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT,
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, AG3
Berkeley Square House,
Berkeley Square,
London, W.1.

A.G.3.E/WJS.
Your Ref:-
18349/40.

(XJ)

14th August, 1940.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 22nd ultimo enclosing copy of Despatch from the Governor of the Falkland Islands regarding accounts paid for provisioning the Norwegian vessels "KOLLBJORG" and "VINGA", I am directed to inform you that arrangements have been made to pay the sum of £42.1. - to the Crown Agents for the Colonies for the credit of the funds of the Government of the Falkland Islands.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant

(Sgd).

for Accountant General.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
Downing Street,
S.W.1.

S/24/40.

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Reference to previous correspondence :-

~~Secretary of State~~
Governor's despatch No. 79

of 10th June, 1940.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 51.

DOWNING STREET,

27th August, 1940.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you, for your information,
copies of the paper noted below ~~on the subject of~~

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
humble servant,

LLOYD.

The Officer Administering
the Government.

Name and Date.	Subject.
From the Accountant General's Department, Ministry of Shipping of 14th August, 1940.	Norwegian Shipping.

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G.O. Falkland Is. 2.

COMMUNICATIONS ON THIS SUBJECT TO
BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.
THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED

OFFICE OF THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
4, MILLBANK,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

3rd September, 1940. 493-

Sir,



~~With reference to~~

I have the honour to state that we have received from the Ministry of Shipping, the sum of Forty Two pounds 1s.0d. (£42.1s.0d.) stated to be the amount due to the Government of the Falkland Islands in respect of payment for disbursements on account of Norwegian Vessels.

The amount has been credited in our
Falkland Islands account
for the month of August, 1940.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. Brander".

for Crown Agents.

To Colonial Secretary,
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

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● FALKLAND ISLANDS



With the compliments of the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies.

With reference to the Secretary of States's Despatch No.50,
Dated 26th, August, 1940.

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Colonial Office,
Downing Street,
S.W.1.
1/11/1940

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Downing Street,
22nd July, 1940.

15067/Pt. III/40.

Sir,

10.6.40. I am directed by Lord Lloyd to transmit to you, to be laid before the Minister of Shipping, a copy of a despatch from the Governor of the Falkland Islands, about the accounts paid by that Government in connection with the provisioning of the Norwegian vessels "Kollbjorg" and "Vinga".

2. The schedule referred to is also enclosed in original and I am to suggest that after examination this claim may be forwarded to the Norwegian Trade and Shipping Mission for settlement; and that if it is accepted the sum of £42. 1. 0 may be paid to the funds of the Government of the Falkland Islands at the Crown Agents for the Colonies, and this Department informed when this has been done.

I am etc.

(Sgd.) J.A. CALDER.

THE SECRETARY,
MINISTRY OF SHIPPING.

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of 5/24/40

*See
H.H.H.*

From the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

To the Officer Administering the Government of

CIRCULAR TELEGRAM 37110.

Date 5th November 1940.



SECRET.

See (25)

My telegram circular maritime No.2. As you have probably already assumed, it is now considered that the voyages of Norwegian vessels are adequately controlled by the special machinery set up for that purpose under the direction of the Norwegian Shipping and Trade Mission in London referred to in my telegram circular maritime No.11. Accordingly, the arrangements which Colonial Governments were asked to make, pending clarification of the situation, for the control of Norwegian shipping in Colonial ports through instructions issued by officers of the Colonial Governments are no longer considered necessary. These arrangements include the issue of insurance letters, telegraphic reports to me of voyages of Norwegian ships, and undertakings from masters of Norwegian ships.

2. It may also be of interest to Colonial Governments to know that every Norwegian ship is automatically covered for marine and war risks insurance provided it is on a voyage approved by the Norwegian Shipping and Trade Mission, or if on charter to the Ministry of Shipping approved by the Ministry. Masters making enquiry on this subject should be referred to the nearest Norwegian Consul or to the Norwegian Mission in London, New York or Montreal.