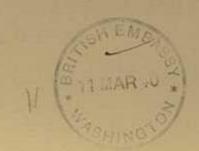
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My Lord Marquess,



With reference to correspondence ending with 1830/25/39. Your Lordship's despatch No. 1380 of the 6th December 1939 relative to the discriminatory effect of the United States neutrality act upon British shipping, I transmit herewith a copy of a letter from the Ministry of Shipping and of its enclosures. I should be grateful if you would supply me with information on the various points raised in this letter and assist the British shipping interests concerned in unifying the system of affidavits if you consider that you can usefully take action for this purpose.

> I am, with great truth and respect, My Lord Marquess, Your Excellency's obedient Servant, (For the Secretary of State)

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His Excellency

The Most Honourable

The Marquess of Lothian, C.H.,

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