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November 10, 1941.

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My dear Lord Halifax:

I am enclosing for your information a paraphrase of a secret message which the President has received from Mr. Churchill.

Believe me

ours very sincefely,

Enclosure: Paraphrase.

His Excellency The Right Honorable The Viscount Halifax, K.G., British Ambassador. PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM: American Embassy, London DATED: November 9, 1941

One. The situation at the Moscow front affords me a growing favorable impression.

Two. The consequences of and the fact that the two convoys of the Axis, which were bound for the port of Benghazi, were destroyed between Italy and Greece are of the utmost importance. The fact that the six Italian destroyers would not face our two nor their two heavy cruisers our two six-inch light cruisers is noteworthy also.