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BRITISH EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON D.C.

No.1131.

October 9th 1939.

My Lord,

I have the honour to inform Your Lordship that according to the newspapers the German Government have addressed a note to the United States Government recommending that American vessels in the waters near the coasts of the United Kingdom and France should avoid any "suspicious behaviour", should obey demands to stop, and should refuse offers of convoy by the British or French naval forces.

2. The text of the German communication, as reproduced in the "New York Times" of October 3rd is enclosed herein.

I have the honour to be,
with the highest respect,
My Lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient,
humble servant,
(SGD) LOTHIAN.

The Right Honourable

The Viscount Halifax, K.G.,
etc., etc., etc.

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