

Telegram

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An Associated press message from Washington has been published in New Zealand stating that the United States Government officials are devoting attention to Christmas Island and that State Department officials declared "the United States do not recognise British sovereignty there"

In view of action taken by the United States in connection with neighbouring islands of value for aviation purposes and because Christmas Island is within the area patrolled by New Zealand division of the Royal Navy His Majesty's Government in New Zealand would be grateful for any information on this matter which His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom might be able to offer.