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Subject: Pacific Islands

Reference to previous correspondence:

With the compliments of Mr Dixon.

A copy has also been sent to
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PARAPHRASE TELEGRAM

NEW ZEALAND.

From the United Kingdom High Commissioner in New Zealand.
Dated 11th March, 1939. Received 10.49 a.m. 11th March,
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IMMEDIATE.

No.30. Secret.

(48) Telegram from High Commissioner Canberra
of the 10th March No.41. Secret as to Defence
Conference. His Majesty's Government in New Zealand
have today sent following reply to His Majesty's
Government in the Commonwealth of Australia:- Begins.

Our understanding is that Item "J" of
proposed agenda is one which His Majesty's Government
in the United Kingdom particularly wish to discuss as
do His Majesty's Government in New Zealand. Indeed
our opinion is that discussion of this subject is
desirable even if (which we hope will not be the case)
the Australian Government consider it impossible to join
in discussions. We should therefore propose retention
of Item on the Agenda subject to right of the Australian
Delegation to dissociate themselves from this subject.
Ends.