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QUARRELS WITH HIS FELLOW NORWEGIANS (1943)

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To [Name No. 42][i].

1. My Norwegian material[a] with us and who, in the Mission[b], has been well disposed towards us, has had a quarrel with the reactionaries, Major DAML[DAL'] [iii] and SVENDSEN [iv] (leaders of the military group). [ii] who has voluntarily shared his is now being recalled to LONDON as a person whom it is not desirable to have here.

2. According to information from [vi] the Commander of the German fleet in NORWAY, BOESEN [BEM] [vii], has been relieved of his command and Admiral SILLIAKS [viii] has been appointed in his place.

3. Swedish shipyards which have a full programme of work, are suffering from a grave shortage of materials, especially iron for hulls which formerly came from GERMANY. However work in the yards is going full blast. According to HEDEN, a director of GÖTAVERKEN, the normal working force is 4,800 and 600 office staff. Of this number 4,800 are now working and several hundreds are on [2 groups garbled]. They have orders for 35 ships but cannot deliver them because of shortage of materials. The shipyard, ÖRESUNDEVARTET [ÖRESUNDEVARTET], in KARLSKRONA has belonged to GÖTAVERKEN since 1941. 1,200 workers are employed in it.

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4. The newspaper "Aftontidningen" reported that in [B% TRONDHEIM] [6 groups unrecovered] the invasion of the Allies. According to the newspaper, the squadron includes the "TIRPITZ", "SCHARNHORST", two cruisers of the "HIPPER" type (apparently the "PRINZ EUGEN") and several destroyers (number not specified). Such [6 groups unrecovered].

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[Name No. 59][ix]

- Notes: [a] Intelligence material.
 [b] The diplomatic mission of the Norwegian Government in exile.
- Comments: [i] Name No. 42: Possibly Capt. (1st Rank) M.A. VORONTOV.
 [ii] See also STOCKHOLM's No. 738 of 5th March, 1943 (3/NBF/T1698).
 [iii] DAHL: Presumably Maj. Orulf Ragnvald DAHL of the Norwegian Legation in STOCKHOLM.
 [iv] SVENDSEN: Possibly Olaf SVENDSEN, who was head of the "Rettsskontor" in the Norwegian Legation in STOCKHOLM c. 1940-45.
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 [vii] BOEHM: Admiral Hermann BOEHM, the German Naval Commander in NORWAY.
 [viii] SILLAES: This name is given in the Latin alphabet.
 [ix] Name No. 59: Capt. Aleksej TARADIN, Soviet Naval Attaché in STOCKHOLM.

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